

CARL RUSSELL GOETZ



Born Tuesday, July 29, 1958, (Carl Lotto), in McKeesport, PA, Carl Russell Goetz passed Monday, March 3, 2025, in New Port Richey, Florida. Carl Russell Goetz was raised in McKeesport and Glassport, PA, attended Serra and South Allegheny High Schools and graduated from South Allegheny June 1976. He played alto saxophone in the SA Band and was an Eagle Scout with palms in Glassport Troop 54.

Carl enlisted in the United States Air Force in September 1976 deployed to air bases within the States and in Germany attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. After dutifully serving our country for four years, Carl graduated from culinary school in Pittsburgh where he refined his talents and passion as sous and head chefs in a number of Italian and French cuisine restaurants in Pittsburgh during the 1980s and 1990s. Carl Russell Goetz moved from Pittsburgh to Florida, attended classes at Florida International University and re-enlisted as an electrician in the USAF. As a retired veteran, his daily joys included family, friends, gardening and raising chickens. Known to his revered family and his many friends as a true gentle giant, Carl stood an impressive 6'8" with a 17-size shoe and will always be remembered for his endearing personality, infectious laugh, broad-ranging knowledge, strong spirit, remarkable intelligence and keen wits. Carl is survived by his mother, Elizabeth (88, Glassport, PA); brother, John (64, Pittsburgh); sister, Lisa (63, Florida); and brother, Paul (58, Maryland). Following his wishes, no public services will be held.

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