



Greg Raymond Hossbach

November 12, 1953 - December 30, 2024

Greg Raymond Hossbach, 71, of Aubrey, TX, passed away at home on Monday, December 30, 2024. He was born in Joliet, IL, to Russell and Lois (Birkholz) Hossbach. He married Barbara Lee Wilson in Las Vegas, NV on December 23, 2005. Greg was known for his quick wit, unshakable resilience, and boundless love for his family.

Greg believed deeply in the importance of “making memories.” He was a joyful, spontaneous adventurer who was always ready to pack up and go on a trip at a moment’s notice. An avid documentarian, which he honed through his wedding videography side gig, Greg loved capturing life’s moments through photos and video, leaving behind a treasure trove of memories for his family to cherish.

Greg was the first in his family to attend college, paying his way through Joliet Junior College and Lewis University by working at Joliet 7-Up Bottling Company and Plainfield SuperValu. He earned multiple degrees, including a Bachelor of Arts with honors in biology, a Master of Science in Education Administration, and a Doctor of Education in Instructional Technology.

Over his remarkable career, Greg made a lasting impact as a teacher, mentor, and leader. He taught at Joliet West High School, where he founded a trap shooting club. While working as a corporate director of training and

development for 26 years, Greg was an adjunct professor for Joliet Junior College for 15 years. After retiring as Vice President of Human Resources, Greg's passion for teaching and sharing knowledge couldn't keep him away and he returned to work as an ADHD coach with the Psychoeducational Network and as a tutor and adjunct instructor at Roane State College in Harriman, TN.

Greg was a devoted family man, known for his quick-witted humor and unconditional love. He made every person he spoke to feel important, always listening with intention and offering support without judgment. As a father, he prioritized quality time—whether playing basketball, swimming, wrestling, walking together, or having long talks. He loved making others smile and laugh and embraced life with childlike wonder, celebrating every new experience, every meal, as if it were the best yet.

Despite enduring immense challenges, including a near-death infection in 1995, kidney failure, a transplant, diabetic complications, and amputations, Greg remained steadfastly true to himself. He faced life's obstacles with courage, humor, and an unrelenting zest for life, inspiring everyone who knew him.

Greg is survived by his loving wife, Barbara Hossbach of Aubrey, TX; son, John Greg Hossbach and wife Killeen of Carrollton, TX; and daughter, Lauren A. Dzurella and husband Palmer of Northlake, TX. He was a proud and doting grandfather, lovingly called "Opa," to Aurora Trinity Dzurella, Lillian Russell Dzurella, Kylan John Hossbach, and step-grandchildren Erik Worden and Anneke Bemis.

Greg was preceded in death by his parents, Russell and Lois; brother, Gary Hossbach; and stepson, Peter Henry Worden.

A celebration of Greg's incredible life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at Slay Memorial Chapel in Aubrey, TX. In honor of his vibrant spirit, attendees are encouraged to wear Hawaiian-style attire, and leis will be provided.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Greg's memory to the American Diabetes Association at www.diabetes.org or by mail to P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023.

Greg's family deeply appreciates the outpouring of love and support during this time. He will be remembered for his wisdom, kindness, and the joy he brought to everyone he met.

On-line condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Zoom link:

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Meeting ID: 812 8994 2722

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Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Rest easy, Greg, knowing your legacy of love, laughter, and learning will live on forever in the hearts of those who knew you.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

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“ Great guy, funny and kind.
Barbara is my first cousin, and she and I grew up close together in Vermont. I'm so glad for the time the two of them had together.
Greg will be dearly missed..

Robert Wilson

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“ Deepest condolences to Greg's family and friends. I've known Greg since he was a little boy from church and my brother as they were born on the same day same year and were friends throughout childhood into adulthood.

Our parents were friends too.

Greg brought lightheartedness, laughter, joy, wisdom, happiness to all those whose lives he touched. He will be sorely missed but not forgotten. His spirit will live on in the hearts and memories we all have of him.

He will certainly liven up heaven!

May Greg's family find peace and comfort and support from others who loved him too. And

comfort in knowing Greg now is at peace with no more pain and suffering.

We love you Greg, ❤️❤️🙏🙏

Sharon(Smithberg) and Barry Feingold



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