



Douglas R. Armitage

June 27, 1956 - June 2, 2020

Doug Armitage, 63, of Worthington, Ohio, passed away on June 2, 2020. Born June 27, 1956, in Columbus, Ohio. He joins in death his parents Richard and Janet Armitage. He is survived by his wife, Emily, and sons, Brendon and Ian; sister Suzanne Armitage-Olson (Rex), brothers; Bruce, Barry (Abbie) Armitage, Daniel (Maria) Armitage, John (Caroline) Armitage and David (Katie) Armitage, stepmother Mary Beth Snyder; nieces, Alexandra (Brad & Cam), Lauren (Adam), Maddie and Maylin, nephews; Michael, Christopher, Ethan and Stefan; mother-in-law; Marilyn Schwartz and brother-in-law, Adam Schwartz. He attended Whetstone High School and graduated from Thomas Worthington in 1974. Doug spent a year at Ohio University before transferring to The Ohio State University, from which he graduated with dual degrees in business administration and economics leading to a career in banking. Doug worked at Chemical Bank, County Savings, and Huntington, prior to his position with the Ohio Housing Finance Agency. A life-long fan of the Cleveland Browns and The Ohio State Buckeyes football teams, Doug also practiced and taught tai chi for over 30 years. Doug enjoyed riding motorcycles for an even longer period, a passion he shared with his brothers. He also loved spending summer days at the Worthington pool. Doug was known for his deep and lasting friendships and his loyalty to his friends and family; he embraced fatherhood—his love for Brendon and Ian remains unbounded. Visitation will be 2-4 and 6-8 pm on Saturday June 13, 2020 at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME with sharing of

remembrances at 7 pm. While safety precautions will be observed, Doug's family wishes to convey their understanding that some friends, coworkers and acquaintances may wish to not attend calling hours due to ongoing public health concerns.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Gathering

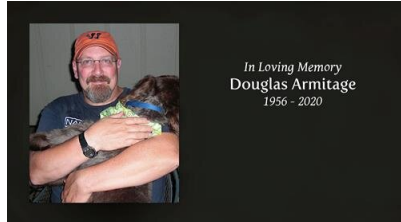
JUN 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Douglas R. Armitage*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - June 12, 2020 at 11:14 AM

CK

Met Doug at Swiminc a couple summers ago, he was outgoing, with a great sense of humor, and you quickly got the feeling that he would do anything for you, that he deeply cared about you as a person even though he only knew you for a short time.

chris keppler - July 01, 2020 at 10:40 PM



“ *Douglas R. Armitage*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

RO

“ On this, Doug's 64th birthday, I wanted to talk about two things that Doug really loved. While you could make a strong case that those two things might be Brendon and Ian, today I want to speak about two other things he really loved....red beans and rice. But I also want to talk about two things I really loved about Doug....his empathy and gratitude. How do these things all come together in a simple plate of Cajun peasant food? Let me try to explain... Doug would come to our house to watch football games, be it Browns or Buckeyes, and I would be in the kitchen preparing red beans and rice for our halftime meal. Doug would come in to the kitchen and watch intently as I sliced, diced, and chopped. Empathy - a deep understanding of the feelings, trials, and tribulations of others. By peering over my shoulder as I cooked, Doug wanted me to know that he knew that this meal wasn't going to make itself, and that someone was expending a certain amount of time, care, and expertise on his behalf to prepare it...he wanted me to know that he was behind me in this effort 100%, even though the man was a severe liability if he got in or even near a kitchen. I would put the lid on the pot to simmer and we would eat at halftime. Gratitude - a sincere appreciation of things bestowed upon you by others. I would serve Doug up a bowl, and he would take a bite - "Oh my gosh, this stuff is the bomb!" Another bite - "This meat is just delicious!" Another bite - "I could just drink this broth all day!" And on and on and on he would go... Red beans and rice. Empathy and gratitude. That's how these things all come together over a simple plate of Cajun peasant food. I just wish I could serve him up one more bowl, so that he could enjoy two things that he loved, and I could enjoy two things I loved about him. Rest in peace, Dougie.

Rex Olson - June 27, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 22, 2020 at 01:58 PM



“ *Still in shock. Praying for the family. He was a pleasure to know.*

Tom - June 15, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *To Emily,
You have a special place in my heart and I am so very sad for this loss in your life.
I did not know Doug but you chose him as your life's partner; so I know he was special.
I loved babysitting for you and often chose you over dances at the school and other social activities. Please know that I am thinking of you and your family at this most difficult time in your life.*

Ann Shapiro-Hall

Ann Hall - June 13, 2020 at 10:28 PM



“ *Thinking of you all at this difficult time. My heart is heavy and I pray for comfort for you all.*

Cathy (Downs) Harrelson - June 13, 2020 at 02:44 PM

LA

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of such a great guy. I didn't know him much on a personal level, but what I do know is he was a great guy. Always such a gentlemen & very helpful. We spoke often yet briefly at work & he'd always offer his assistance if I appeared to need help. He will be missed but never forgotten. My sincerely condolences go out to all his friends & family!



LaTanya Adams - June 12, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.



June 12, 2020 at 10:38 AM

DM

“ Doug and I worked together for a number of years and we became friends. He was a bright guy, a terrific human being and he will be missed but never forgotten. A part of him will now live on in his boys!

Dennis Morrison - June 12, 2020 at 09:52 AM

BH

“ Brad & Tonya Hammond purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.



Brad & Tonya Hammond - June 12, 2020 at 09:40 AM

MU

“ I used to practice tai chi with Doug, and I was always happy to be paired off with him. He was kind, encouraging, patient, energetic, and had a great sense of humor. My heart goes out to his family and friends.

Matthew Underwood-Tripp - June 11, 2020 at 08:44 PM



“ Lou, Megan, Erin and I are grieving for the loss of a special person. As next door neighbors in Worthington, they watched as our girls grew into high school and we embraced their sons Brendon and Ian as they were born and growing. We will remember so many evenings in our back yards laughing over Doug's funny stories.



We send our deepest love and prayers to Emily, Brendon and Ian.

Jeanne Jindra

Jeanne Jindra - June 11, 2020 at 05:05 PM

JV

“ I've known Doug from Glenmont elementary thru Whetsone HS. He had some epic sleep-overs at his house and great times playing in Overbrook creek and woods behind his house. Riding our bikes to Whetstone park and just hanging out (and maybe a little mischief) are just some of the fond memories I'll always treasure. You were a great friend and I'll dearly miss you. My condolences to your entire family.

Sincerely, John VanDorn

John VanDorn - June 11, 2020 at 02:27 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 11, 2020 at 02:20 PM



“ *I was very sorry to hear about Doug's passing. Doug was always full of life and a very caring human being. He was always great to be around and was able to make everyone laugh. He will be missed by many including me.*

Dave Conrad - June 11, 2020 at 08:42 AM



“ *Melanie and Webb Lamoreux purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



Melanie and Webb Lamoreux - June 10, 2020 at 03:22 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 10, 2020 at 12:37 PM

AT

“ Rick and I will miss walking by your house and not seeing Doug out in the front yard. His big smile and friendly conversation were always so heart warming. When he was out walking Chewy you knew one of the black cats was following at the social distance of 6 feet but still walking with him. He always asked how Travis and Caroline were doing. We are so fortunate to have known such a wonderful man!

Rick and Ann Trippel

Andra Trippel - June 10, 2020 at 09:32 AM

VU

“ Doug and I were tai chi buddies for many years. I was always impressed by his gentleness and skill, which made him my favorite sparring partner. I left that studio many years ago, but I continue to carry with me sweet memories of Doug.

Vicki Underwood - June 10, 2020 at 08:38 AM

JS

“ Dougie, I can't believe you're gone. All the times and all the places, stories shared on loves and losses, that easy laugh that filled a room, the deep concern for all you knew. How we'd hug on Christmas Eve and you'd whisper, "I love you, man." All that's still here but you're gone. I grieve you, along with all your family and all your friends, I can't believe you're gone.

James Shumaker - June 09, 2020 at 05:35 PM



“ Emily,

You and Doug have been such a special part of my life! He was an incredibly funny, sweet, and kind man, and I have the fondest memories of him! I am thinking of your family and praying for you all! You are all loved and he will be so missed!

*Sincerely,
Melanie Zook-Rawlins*

Melanie Rawlins - June 09, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 09, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 09, 2020 at 08:46 AM

TG

“ *The Huss Family (Kyle, Breanne, Mason and Griffin) purchased the Condolence Snacks for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



The Huss Family (Kyle, Breanne, Mason and Griffin) - June 09, 2020 at 07:22 AM

SM

“ *Spent countless hours together playing basketball in his driveway, romping in the creek behind his house and just hanging out. Will never forget the baby racoon we captured and he tried to make a pet. Was sad when he moved away. RIP Doug*

Steve McIntosh - June 08, 2020 at 03:22 PM



“ *Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 08, 2020 at 02:40 PM

WJ

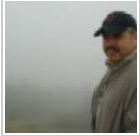
“ *Trey, Tristan, Emerson, Jackson, Edward and I grieve with you. We have known Doug for 25 years. I am so thankful to have been able to see him two weeks ago. I will never forget his shoulder to cry on, willingness to kick me in the butt when I needed it, his soulful eyes, his bear hug when I was sad and his laugh that will be in our hearts forever. The world is forever changed.*

Wendy Jones - June 06, 2020 at 03:14 PM

AS

“ Doug was a very kind person. We were neighbors for 19 years & he was always helpful & friendly. Every time I spoke with Doug he asked about my children, which I always appreciated. He had many nice words to say about them. We will miss you, Doug!

Alexa Stazenski - June 06, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ Martial Arts is the meeting floor for so many people. That is how Jane and I came to meet Doug and Emily. Always kindness, always a smile, always welcome..

We can only struggle to imagine what this loss is to his family.

Once in a while I was able to box (free hands) with Doug. It would be the last class of the day. I would come to the floor with a body full of aches and pains from my days work. Therefore it makes sense to go hit one another with boxing gloves, right? The unique blessing that Doug brought to the practice was that when we were done boxing, my body would be pain free.

Doug's loss will be felt here. May I learn his practices of gentleness and healing as I walk through my days.

"Mickemichael"

Mike and Jane Trask.

Michael Trask - June 06, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Douglas R. Armitage.*



June 06, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ *Doug was one of my first friends in this life. So many memories flood my mind, from Glenmont to Olympic to Whetstone Rec....we had more fun! He was such a loyal and kind friend. I will remember him always with love.*

Beth Bennett Morgan - June 05, 2020 at 03:46 PM



“ *I knew Doug mostly through martial arts, and he was one of the 'kindest' martial artists I know. Always calm, always a good word to say, always a sense of humor...not necessarily a traditional one. Sincere condolences to Emily and the boys. Even though I hadn't talked with Doug for several years, he is missed.*

Greg Knight

Greg Knight - June 05, 2020 at 03:14 PM

LS

“ A Doug hug was the best hug. Full of love and strength and gave the recipient much comfort and maybe a back twinge because he was a gentle giant in Soul and Body. Doug and Emily kindly included us at their Christmas Eve dinners for many years and I will cherish those memories always. So much fun for everyone, particularly the rowdy crowd at the end of the table. I'll never forget Doug looking around at his family with his eyes filled with love and pride. He loved his family fiercely and I know he has them all wrapped in a big Doug hug now and forever.

Laura Shumaker - June 05, 2020 at 10:57 AM

TM

“ I remember Doug and me on the front lawn & we were seeing whose martial art was better, he won! He was also so much taller than & bigger than me so total unfair advantage. Emily & boys - you have all our love and prayers, I wish we lived next door still but hope you can feel our hugs of comfort across the miles. Doug, God speed your calming nature will be missed.
- Tobi Martin & Colin

Tobi Martin - June 05, 2020 at 09:52 AM

JJ

“ Godspeed old friend - Doug was one of the smartest people I knew and he could always make me laugh - will always remember his laugh and the good times we had

Jerry Johnson

Jerry Johnson - June 05, 2020 at 08:19 AM

AI

“ *Funny, profane, irrepressible. Too early, Doug. Aliceanne*

aliceanne inskeep - June 04, 2020 at 08:54 PM

JZ

“ *Dougie was one of the kindest men I've ever known. I love him like a brother and always will. My memories for you my dear friend are endless and I'll cherish them forever.*

Jeff Zook - June 04, 2020 at 06:39 PM