



Jerome H. Davis

November 27, 1954 - September 12, 2020

Jerome H Davis Born in North Wilkesboro, NC to Rose Wade Scroggs and Paul Wilson Harvel Jr., through her childhood in the mountains, developed a love for horses which soon became some of the best memories of her life and what lead her to meeting her husband, Patrick Andrew Davis (Andy). Their love of all things horses lead them through a passionate courtship of midnight trail rides and hundreds of horse shows. In 1975, Andy and Jerome married in Chapel Hill, NC and began the next chapter of their adventure in Gainesville, FL due to Andy's job opportunity as a furniture sales rep for many of the well-known, high end furniture companies of that time in the North Florida and South Georgia area. Jerome would tag along and help as she had cultivated quite an "eye" and passion for furniture and design through her father's factory in North Wilkesboro, Lineberry Foundry. The Lineberry Foundry made carbide bits for carving furniture and her father designed the famous Lineberry furniture carts that Restoration Hardware and many other companies have recently copied for the industrial-look coffee tables with iron wheels and strappings.

Jerome and Andy always knew they wanted children, but it didn't come quickly or easily. It took them 10 years to have, what they called, the greatest gift and joy of their lives, Amanda Davis, born in 1985. They shared 9 years of joy together through horse riding, big road trip adventures, and enjoying each other's company until Andy passed in 1994. Heartbroken, but determined to provide a wonderful life for her and her daughter, Jerome opened a furniture store, The Glen Addie Collection, named after the waterfall behind her childhood home. This started the "girl power team and bond" that was so strong between Jerome and Amanda and is where she cultivated her deep-rooted love for quality furniture, beautiful design, and above all else, customer service. Many of her clients still have pieces they purchased from Glen Addie before it closed its doors in 1999.

Jerome was always asked to "come and help design in the client's home" and felt that would better serve and provide the time she needed to spend with Amanda as she grew

up. That's what brought her to reply to an ad in the paper from Interior Associates of Gainesville. Through Jerome's time at Interior Associates she was mentored by Sharon Adair to whom she credits teaching her the ins and outs of new construction design and Jerome shared her knowledge and love of furniture design and the furniture lines she carried at Glen Addie with the entire team at Interior Associates. This started her next journey as an Interior Decorator instead of retail furniture store owner and gave her much more time with Amanda.

In 2003, Amanda graduated from GHS and was awarded a full music scholarship to Louisiana State University and set off on a new adventure. While away at school, Jerome took the time to truly develop her name within the local industry of interior decorating and design and loved every client she was privileged to work with. In 2007 Jerome's health took a major decline and Amanda returned home after graduating from LSU to help her mother. As Jerome's health continued to challenge her each day, she decided to leave Interior Associates and found Jerome H. Davis interiors to work from home to give her more flexibility and only take on the clients she could truly handle. Jerome and Amanda worked closely together, not only as a MotherDaughter team, but also as an opportunity to teach Amanda the industry that had been so rewarding to Jerome. They worked as a team until 2015 when Jerome retired after completing her largest, most prized project, creating a dream home for a couple from New York. From there Amanda took over the business with the same mission Jerome lived by since the "Glen Addie" days, to bring extraordinary style and affordability through "a new world of style" to each of her clients.

Jerome enjoyed her retirement and most of all the birth of her only Grandchild, Isabella Rose. Their bond was infectious, and Jerome soaked up every adventure and learning/teaching opportunity she could in their time together. In April of 2020 Jerome was diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer. In her last months, she valued quality of life over quantity and she had many adventures, nights of playing cards, rides in the neighborhood on her scooter and park adventures with Isabella, bird watching at Sweet Water Wetlands, GNO nights, and trips to the beach.

Jerome impacted so many lives through her infectious positivity, wit, unmatched style, and eye for design, but most of all with her spirit and true compassion for every person she met. A lover of animals, spirituality, of always learning more about herself and life, of all things beautiful, of a true connection with each and every person she met, and of quality time spent with the ones she loved.

A Celebration of Life will be held Friday, September 18th at 5:30PM at one of Jerome's favorite places, Cellon Oak Park 4100 NW 169th Pl. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution in Jerome's honor to The Retirement Home for Horses Inc 20307 NW CR 235A, Alachua, FL 32615.

Events

SEP **Celebration of Life** **05:30PM**
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Cellon Oak Park

4100 NW 169th Place, Gainesville, FL, US, 32609

Comments



“ Sincerely, Lynn and Ken Shoemake purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Jerome H. Davis.



Sincerely, Lynn and Ken Shoemake - September 18, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Jerome H. Davis.



September 17, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ Jerome was a member of a “Girl’s Night Out Club” in her later and last years, as was my sister.... You might say this group provided ,....”Joie de Vivre” for each other. In her last years, she spent time with her daughter and daughter’s husband, and her precious granddaughter..... I believe she felt she had a.... “Life well Lived”.....

Marsha Guerrein - September 17, 2020 at 01:05 PM