



Mr. Louis F. Wengenroth IV

August 2, 1947 - January 17, 2019

Louis F. Wengenroth IV was born on August 2, 1947, in Goshen, N.Y. The son of Louis Frederick Wengenroth III and Martha Krzyzczuk Wengenroth, he was predeceased by both. He is survived by his sister, Veronica M. Wengenroth, born in 1950 and married to David Ruppert. Their children are Elizabeth Susan Goodermote, David Ruppert Jr., and Douglas Ruppert, who have 6 grandchildren among them. He is survived by his brother Karl J Wengenroth, born in 1954, whose children are Holly Donna Wengenroth - Mealer, Mary Teresa Olivero, Margaret Mary Bilodeau, Monica Christine Martinez, and Karl Michael Wengenroth, who have 17 grandchildren among them.

Louis was educated at St. Joseph's Elementary School, Middletown High School, Orange County Community College and SUNY Plattsburgh. He was a math teacher.

His teaching posts included St. Stephen - St. Edwards in Warwick, N.Y., Whitehall Junior High School in upstate N.Y. Cape Hatteras High School, in North Carolina and Edenton-Chowan Schools in North Carolina.

He did graduate work in Math at East Carolina University, after which he taught at SUNY Orange. He taught, also, at John S. Burke High School, for 29 1/2 years. At Burke, he taught all levels of math including Calculus and Physics. He earned his Master's Degree in Mathematics Education from City College of New York.

From his earliest childhood, his grandmother Susan Wengenroth taught him to draw trains. She used terms like rectangle, circle, triangle, and trapezoid as

she drew the train cars. From these early memories, a love of art and math grew.

Louis began to paint in 1964 and did over 1000 paintings. Most were given away. He wanted to make people happy and share the beauty of this world as he saw it. When he realized he was dying, he gave many away to students, family, and friends.

Louis was raised as a Roman Catholic from Birth/Baptism. He firmly believed in God, in an afterlife and that God's will be done. He made Confession, was given the Anointing of the Sick, prayed always, and passed away peacefully at home with his family.

Cemetery Details

St. John's Cemetery

Goshen, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **23**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Martinez-Morse Funeral Home
33 Railroad Ave
Middletown, NY 10940
(845) 343-6918
martinezmorsefcs@gmail.com
<https://www.MartinezFuneralHomes.com/>

Service

JAN **24**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Church
149 Cottage Street
Middletown, NY 10940

Tribute Wall



“ Martinez Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Louis F. Wengenroth IV



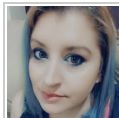
Martinez Funeral Homes - January 23, 2019 at 12:33 PM

JM

I recently learned Mr. Wengenroth had passed. He was a special person. Some would call him different, unique, odd but he was passionate about teaching and energized his students. Cared for everyone. He was not afraid to be questioned and in fact welcomed it. He took his job so seriously that it made you want to study hard. He had a huge impact on many young kids letting them know it was ok to be different and themselves. His value was appreciated but never fully recognized - but he was never about that. He knew who "got him". A truly great teacher that is so rare. His legacy lives on. Will never forget him wearing huge ties that dragged on the floor and giving out Wengenbucks for good grades. The man was a gem. True selfless person who was passionate about his vocation.

J. Maguire

John Maguire - July 26, 2019 at 12:29 AM



Thank you for sharing your memories. I love hearing stories from his students.

Monica Martinez - December 13, 2019 at 08:09 PM

JQ

“ *Mr Wengenroth was kind teacher with a generous smile - he made learning geometry proofs easy and fun. Burke was lucky to have him. Our thoughts are with his family*
Jim Quirk

J Quirk - March 02, 2019 at 02:39 PM

KW

“ *I simply want to thank everyone who commented here, who has written to the family, who has prayed for my brother, Louie/Rick, who has expressed their condolences and/or who was touched by his life.*

He was a wonderful brother, son, uncle, godfather, friend, artist and teacher.

God bless you, Rick. I love you. God bless you all for your help, kindness and love.

Thank you also to Holly, Mary, Margaret, Monica and Karl Michael for your love, for the help and blessing that you have always been, particularly to Uncle Rick in his time of greatest need. God bless each of you and your families. I love you, To The Moon!!

Dad/Karl

If I left anyone out or neglected to mention things. Please forgive me.

Karl J Wengenroth - February 16, 2019 at 07:13 PM

RG

“ Louis was my first friend who I met in the first grade. And, he was my only friend up to the 5th grade when my family moved from Middletown to Jersey City after my father passed away. We remained in contact for many years and then fell out of communication contact for many years. One day out of the blue I received a call at dinnertime at my country cottage in Vermont. Louis asked if I was his long lost first grade friend. I was so happy to reconnect and we again kept in contact over the last 20 years. He was the best friend anyone ever could have wanted to have. May he rest in Peace. Richard Grammer

Richard Grammer - January 28, 2019 at 08:35 AM

CL

“ I have fond memories of Mr. Wengenroth when he was my math teacher at John S. Burke Catholic High School in 1997-98. He was a kind man full of life always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need including me when I was struggling with math. I enjoyed his math classes and will never forget his witty sense of humor. My condolences to the Wengenroth family for their loss.

Christopher Lego - January 23, 2019 at 05:02 PM

DP

“ My children, Joe, Erin and Tara Patti had "Mr. Wengenroth" at Burke Catholic and spoke of him fondly!! I am so sorry for your loss.
Denise Schneider Patti

Denise Schneider Patti - January 23, 2019 at 11:02 AM

JS

“ I knew Lou in Middletown High School as a spirited "Mighty Middie" (Class of '65) with a big smile and a great sense of humor. Had lunch with Lou and his dad at the old "hang out" at the Colonial Diner a few years ago. Always cheerful and warm hearted. Knew him when he worked at the Paramount Theatre as an usher . . . "he knew his movies"!! You are now home with the Lord, no more sickness or pain, just relishing in the Light of God.

Joan Sullivan, MHS Class of '65

Joan Sullivan - January 22, 2019 at 01:25 PM

MM

“ What a gift it was to know Uncle Rick as my uncle. His humor will always be remembered, his lessons cherished, and his devotion admired. May he rest peacefully in the Fathers arms, and be reunited with Grandma and Grandpa. I can hear her calling his name when I think about the joyful reunion. He is deeply loved and greatly missed.



Monica Wengenroth Martinez - January 21, 2019 at 03:46 PM

DK

“ Lou always had a smile, I believe it was his Love for All. God Bless

Don Karl - January 21, 2019 at 11:14 AM

FF

“ It was a great experience to have worked with Lou at Burke Catholic for 12 years!
May he rest in Peace!
Fran Fay

Frances Fay - January 21, 2019 at 08:32 AM

CD

“ *Rest in peace, Lou. I never got to know you like I did your brother and my fellow classmate, Karl, but I remember only feeling welcome in your presence. God bless you and the family.*

Carmen DeStefano - January 20, 2019 at 01:47 PM

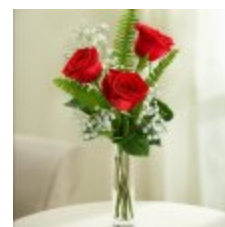
BH

“ *My Condolences to the family and friends...Mr Wengenroth was my math teacher many years ago at Cape Hatteras High School...He helped me pull thru all those hours of math...was one of my teacher sponsors for college entry...enjoyed his paintings and his take on island living and the south...one is never truly gone as long as they are remembered...remembering that laugh and his crazy ties...*

Belle Hedrick - January 19, 2019 at 09:19 PM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – Red was purchased for the family of Mr. Louis F. Wengenroth IV.*



January 19, 2019 at 04:04 PM

MT

“ *Mtwengenroth sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Louis F. Wengenroth IV*



mtwengenroth - January 19, 2019 at 03:39 PM

DG

“ *He was a friend a teacher a great man heaven has a great math teacher* ”

Danny Gray - January 18, 2019 at 06:55 PM