

Mr. Werner Witzig

June 1, 1936 - December 18, 2023

Werner Witzig of Uhwiesen, Switzerland, formerly of Hartsville, SC, passed away peacefully on December 18, 2023.

Born on June 1, 1936, in Winterthur, Switzerland, Werner was the only child of the late Albert Witzig and Paulina Bolz. He grew up in Uhwiesen and graduated with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Technikum in Winterthur in 1960. Following graduation, Werner lived in London, England for a brief period before returning to Switzerland where he married his high school sweetheart Louisa Spiess in May of 1962. Together they had a dream to travel and experience life in another country, and that dream became a reality when they made the transatlantic trip to the United States, arriving in New York City harbor on July 4, 1962. After initially working in Beloit, Wisconsin, Werner found a job opportunity with Sonoco and moved to Hartsville where he worked for 30 years in the Engineering department until his retirement. During his time at Sonoco, Werner developed several patents which benefited the company through their innovative solutions and he also traveled to many plant locations, both in the US and abroad. He enjoyed his work and respected his colleagues, many of whom became lifelong friends.

Werner enjoyed traveling around the country to explore the different states along the east coast and out west. Many great memories were made and shared with friends and family. On weekends, he could be found doing

woodworking projects around the house, camping with his family at Myrtle Beach, spending time sailing at Lake Robinson or tailgating at Clemson football games. During his retirement, Werner enjoyed spending time with his friends, family and grandchildren. After 56 wonderful years in Hartsville, Werner and Louisa returned home to Switzerland to be closer to family.

Surviving are his wife Louisa Witzig of Uhwiesen, Switzerland; son Peter Witzig (Gabriela) of Löhningen Switzerland; daughter Christine Walters (Tim) of Charlotte, NC; and grandchildren Drew Walters (Brenna) of Mauldin, SC; Carter Walters of Charlotte, NC; Derek Witzig of Schaffhausen, Switzerland; and Pauleen Witzig of Löhningen, Switzerland.

Werner was preceded in death by his stepmother Margrit Witzig-Schneider of Zofingen, Switzerland.

The family extends special thanks to the caregivers at the Zentrum Kohlfirst nursing home in Feuerthalen Switzerland for their compassionate care.

A private family service to honor his life will be held at the Evangelical church in Laufen am Rheinflall (Zurich) Switzerland on January 12, 2024, officiated by Rev. Irmgard Keltsch.

Tribute Wall

AH

“ Dear Louisa my heartfelt condolences are with you and your family. I used to style your hair at Carters Arcade



Anita H. Hall - March 04, 2024 at 04:59 PM

AH

May the Lord wrap you and your family in his Loving arms

Anita H. Hall - March 04, 2024 at 05:14 PM

LL

“ Today and always, may loving memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength. Love and continued prayers for you all during this time of sorrow. Love and miss you, from your Harris Teeter friend, Lori

Lori Sims Lowe - February 20, 2024 at 02:17 PM

FS

“ My Dear Friend Louisa, Pete, Christine, and families,
We were so sorry to learn of the loss of your dear husband, father, and grandfather, Werner.
Many happy memories of our times together here in Hartsville.
Louisa, I am so sorry I missed your call and hope that we can talk soon.
My thoughts and prayers for your peace and comfort in all of the days to come.
With love to all, Faye



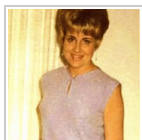
Faye Stinson - January 14, 2024 at 04:27 PM

GG

“ George Garbade lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig



George Garbade - January 13, 2024 at 01:30 PM



“ Mr Witzig was a wonderful man and to mankind. May he Rest IN Peace.

Dick Morgan



Richard Morgan - January 12, 2024 at 10:16 PM

CG

“ Connee Gamble Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig



Connee Gamble Grantham - January 12, 2024 at 10:49 AM

MW

“ Mickey worked with him and really enjoyed his time with him. I bowled with Louisa and she was always so much fun. Will be praying for the family. He will really be missed. God bless you!



mickey and Shirley Wilkes - January 12, 2024 at 10:02 AM

JK

“ JoFrieda Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig



JoFrieda Kelley - January 11, 2024 at 10:37 PM

MS

“ Werner was one of the nicest people you ever want to meet. I worked in the Engineering Building with him for 13 years. I have a mug that he gave me for Christmas one year and still use it every day and think of him and what a wonderful person he was as I use it almost daily. Rest in peace friend. Heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Myrtle Stokes - January 11, 2024 at 09:19 PM

BR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Louisa, Pete, Christiana and all the grandchildren. Louisa and Werner were our neighbors from 1980 until their return to Switzerland. They were the best. Many fond times with them and their many family and friends who visited from Switzerland. Rest in Peace Werner and much love to Louisa and family.



Becky abd Tony Rummage - January 11, 2024 at 05:23 PM

CJ

“ Charles Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig



Charles Jenkins - January 11, 2024 at 03:33 PM

LH

“ *Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig*



Larry Huggins - January 11, 2024 at 03:27 PM

AH

“ *Allen Holloman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig*



Allen Holloman - January 11, 2024 at 03:25 PM

LW

Thank you for remembering Werner. ~ Louisa, Peter and Christine

Louisa Witzig - February 08, 2024 at 07:49 AM

JT

“ *JE Talbert lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig*



JE Talbert - January 11, 2024 at 03:12 PM

LW

Thank you for remembering Werner. ~ Louisa, Peter and Christine

Louisa Witzig - February 08, 2024 at 07:50 AM

AW

“ Dear Louisa, Christine and Pete, the memories are flowing through my mind and heart learning about my friend and neighbor Werner OGGIE Witzig. All the birthdays for our children in the back yard of Club Colony. The nicest neighbors anyone could ever ask for. I love all of you so much. Sending blessings across the ocean. Love, Anna ❤️



Anna Williams - January 11, 2024 at 01:41 PM

DW

“ Debbie Wynne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig



Debbie Wynne - January 11, 2024 at 12:17 PM

LY

Louisa, sending our love and many memories of our many good times in Hartsville.... Please know we will have you in our hearts as you go through this difficult time ❤️

Linda and Louis Yount - January 12, 2024 at 12:52 AM

LW

Thank you for remembering Werner. ~ Louisa, Peter and Christine

Louisa Witzig - February 08, 2024 at 07:51 AM

TW

“ *Travis And Marilyn Walters lit a candle in memory of Mr. Werner Witzig*



Travis and Marilyn Walters - January 11, 2024 at 12:08 PM

MN

Louisa, aPeter,and Christiana , I am so very sorry to learn of Werner's passing. He was such a seeet, caring man. We always think we have more time than we do and this time was no exception. Moving back to Hartsville I have been hiding from Covid and have not been in touch. My regret. Louisa I'll be in touch soon. I'm so sorry.

Mariilyn Newsome - January 11, 2024 at 06:14 PM

LY

Louisa, sending you and your family our love and prayers.... Louis and I have so many fun memories of our early years in Hartsville!

Linda Yount - January 12, 2024 at 10:29 PM

LW

Thank you for remembering Werner. ~ Louisa, Peter and Christine

Louisa Witzig - February 08, 2024 at 07:47 AM