



Carl W. Roach

May 31, 1984 - March 5, 2023

Carl Walter Roach, beloved son, brother, and friend to all, passed away suddenly on March 5, 2023 at age 38. Carl was born May 31, 1984, in Joliet Illinois. He was a graduate from Purdue University and earned his BA in 2007, and MA (2010) in English. He went on to share his passion for English language and literature with countless students in his classes at Lewis University and Joliet Junior College.

Carl loved working out and playing disc golf, softball, golf, and football with his father, brothers, & many friends. He was an accomplished photographer and the author of "Little Red Rocket." When he was not working or playing sports, he was an avid movie-goer and Connoisseur of music. He traveled the world, visiting England, Italy, Greece, Canada, and Mexico.

When friends and family needed help, Carl was the first to arrive and last to leave. He chauffeured elderly relatives and annually baked his mother's birthday cake.

Carl is survived by his parents Thomas and Susan (nee Hebda), younger siblings Jesse (Lauren),

Laura (Jeffrey), and Michael (Amanda), two nephews, and dear friend Tracy Schuster.

A Visitation will be held on Tuesday March 7, 2023, 5:00 PM -7:00 PM at St George Serbian Church, followed by a Panikhida service.

The funeral will be on Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM, and will also be held at St. George Serbian Orthodox church, 305 South Midland Ave

Joliet, Illinois 60436. Followed by a graveside burial at Elmhurst Cemetery located at 1212 E Washington St. Joliet, Illinois 60433.

Previous Events

Visitation at Church

MAR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
305 S. Midland Ave.
Joliet, IL 60436

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (cst)

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
305 S. Midland Ave.
Joliet, IL 60436

Graveside Burial

MAR 8. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (cst)

Elmhurst Cemetery
1212 East Washington St
Joliet, IL

Tribute Wall

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“ Professor Roach played a key role in my success as a college student, with his teaching still playing a part in my learning over ten years after our time together in class. His passion for teaching English helped me to truly enjoy writing research papers. He took his time with students making sure we understood the sometimes complex topics within rhetoric studies and took the additional time to give detailed feedback and constructive criticism of our work. I can easily say he was the best professor within JJC’s English department and his talents as a teacher were unmatched. He was beloved during my time at JJC and I’m sure continued to be a student favorite all these years later. Professor Roach will be sorely missed by myself and many other students who he helped shape into excellent writers. Condolences to the family of this wonderful man, please know he will leave a lasting legacy for anyone who has ever had the pleasure of working with him. I hope these positive memories bring you comfort in this difficult time.



Kat Kozlowski - March 07, 2023 at 03:56 PM

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“ Chair Dr. Christopher Wielgos purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carl W. Roach.



Chair Dr. Christopher Wielgos - March 07, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Carl W. Roach.*



March 07, 2023 at 10:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl W. Roach.*



March 06, 2023 at 07:41 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl W. Roach.*



March 06, 2023 at 07:31 PM