



## Warren Hugh Bumgarner

October 17, 1953 - February 15, 2025

Warren Hugh Bumgarner, 71, of Mt Ulla, NC passed away Saturday, February 15, 2025 at Duke University Medical Center.

Warren was born October 17, 1953 in Hickory, North Carolina to the late Hugh Bumgarner and Bobbie Jean Burns Bumgarner. He was a graduate of Granite Falls High School Class of 1972 and graduated from Appalachian State University. He was a college instructor at Western Piedmont Community College for nearly 30 years. Warren loved fishing and riding motorcycles. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Michael Bumgarner.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Micki Bumgarner; son, Brandon Bumgarner (Kelly) of Denver, NC and daughter, Ashley Bumgarner (Hunter Speagle) of Hickory, NC; grandchildren: Kylie and Brynn Bumgarner and Opal and Hamilton Hugh Speagle; siblings: Karen Hudson (Edney), Mark Bumgarner, Lana Beard (John) and Laura Bumgarner.

The family will receive friends from 1-2 PM Friday (February 21) at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Mt Ulla, NC with a memorial service following at 2 PM; officiated by Pastor Robert McCarty.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Bumgarner family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
11020 NC Hwy 801  
Mt. Ulla, NC 28125

## Memorial Service

FEB 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



Billy  
Lor

“ So sad to hear of Warren's passing. I was just thinking about individuals who've made significant impacts in my life and career and I started thinking about Warren and what he meant to me as an instructor at WPCC. I looked him up and unfortunately was saddened by learning he has gone on. The last time I ever spoke to Warren, I thanked him for making machining fun and easy to learn. Thank you again Warren.

Billy Lor - July 30, 2025 at 02:27 PM



JK

“ A dear cousin who played baseball with us as we grew up. Prayers for comfort and peace for the family as they mourn their loss.

Jolene Bumgarner Keziah - February 21, 2025 at 12:25 PM



PP

“ Love and prayers to Micki and the family. I will always fondly remember sharing our birthday celebrations together. May you rest in peace my friend.



Penny Plyler - February 21, 2025 at 11:17 AM



“ My prayers and condolences for the family. Mya God be with each of you .

Cynthia Cowan - February 20, 2025 at 05:20 AM

LM

“ Mickie and family so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time



Linda Messick - February 19, 2025 at 04:35 PM

LC

“ After "inheriting" a late model motorcycle from my son's college roommate, I went to Warren (often) for advice on rider and bike safety. His sage advice allowed me to enjoy decades riding my Honda Goldwing, including a cross country trip to soak my boots in the Pacific Ocean. Warren, I'm certain there are now other bikers awaiting your arrival.....

Larry Clark - February 19, 2025 at 01:34 PM

LC

“ Larry C. planted a grove of 50 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.

Larry C. - February 19, 2025 at 01:16 PM

DD

“ Warren, was always a good friend to me working together at the college....I'm truly glad to have known him and he will truly be missed by so many.....Best....Danny Dixon

Danny Dixon - February 19, 2025 at 12:45 PM

JG

“ *Jim&Amy Horn, GFHS Super Bowl guys! purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.*



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**Jim&Amy Horn, GFHS Super Bowl guys!** - February 19, 2025 at 12:08 PM

JG

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**Jim&Amy Horn, GFHS Super Bowl guys!** - February 19, 2025 at 12:08 PM



“ *Warren was one of my first mentors at WPCC when I started at WPCC in 1997. He was very gracious in showing me the ropes in developing into an effective instructor in the Engineering Department. He always modeled putting the students needs first in what he did at WPCC. I have tried to never forget the lessons he shared with me.*

*Michael Daniels WPCC 1997-present*

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**Michael Daniels** - February 19, 2025 at 10:14 AM

JD

“ Warren was a mentor to me as a new instructor years ago at WPCCC. Like our Lord, he genuinely wanted good for all, and sacrificed to help others for their good. A local industry told me that if they needed something taught, Warren would do his best to provide it. Like our Lord, he also stood confidently by what he believed was right and best for others. Even if he had disagreements with others on issues, he preserved, to the best of his ability, the relationship. With his passing, i'm reminded how fortunate i was to have known and worked with him. I pray for his family, his company, good advice and character will be greatly missed in this life. I look forward to fellowship with Warren in eternity.

*Jim de Friess (WPCCC 2001-2010)*

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**Jim deFriess** - February 19, 2025 at 05:51 AM

PS

“ Micki, my heart is with you, your family and Warrens family. He was such a a great guy and put up a good fight to come home. I'm glad that you found each other again after high school and had time to make new memories together.



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**Patricia Webb Sledge** - February 19, 2025 at 05:48 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.



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February 19, 2025 at 12:23 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.

February 19, 2025 at 12:23 AM



“ Warren was such a nice guy & was always so pleasant & friendly & fought a hard fight to have this Lung Transplant so him & Micki could enjoy the years they had left.. May God be with Micki & family as they feel the loss..

Linda Holshouser - February 18, 2025 at 11:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.



February 18, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.

February 18, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ Todd and Maria Childers purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Warren Hugh Bumgarner.



Todd and Maria Childers - February 18, 2025 at 12:55 PM