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Ed Lowe

Nov. 7, 1970 - May 8, 2026

Ed Lowe, 55, of Morganton, NC passed away Friday, May 8, 2026. Born on November 7, 1970, he was the son of Ronny Edward Lowe, Sr. and the late Joyce Kathleen Stewart Lowe. Ed retired from the Belk Corporation after 23 years and worked in many different executive positions. He was a graduate of UNC Chapel Hill. Ed was an ancestry and genealogy guru helping many people find their families, being an excellent researcher along with his father. He loved going to the Outer Banks, to the mountains, and definitely loved nature and the outdoors. He was an avid collector of many things. Ed was also known for his dry, subtle, yet very effective sense of humor.

Nothing was more important to Ed than his family. With a genuine heart and an unwavering work ethic, he lived by the motto “you must never quit” and leaves behind that powerful legacy for all who knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Mary Jane Osborne and Metta Sillesen.

In addition to his father, Ed is survived by his wife, Carey Lynn Smith Lowe; daughters, Kendra Bausum (Josiah) and Katryna Sloat (Sean); grandchildren, Ryan Moore, Ayden Sloat, Gibson Sloat, Elliette Sloat, and Malachi Sloat; sister, Rebecca James (Aaron); nieces and nephews, Phillip James, Autumn Bentley (Ethan), Lauren James, Dennis

James, Jr., Austin James, Brooklyn Bolton and siblings, Courtney Smith (Dyllan) and Katlin Smith. Ed loved his pups, Gracie & Piper.

There will be a Celebration of Ed's Life at 11 am Saturday, May 16, 2026 at Henry's Fork River- Morganton NC. The family has asked that if you would like to honor Ed, you could wear UNC blue to the Celebration of Life. **Directions: Go to Friendly

Freewill Baptist Church (2563 Old NC 18 Morganton NC), pass it and go 1.6 miles, we will celebrate by the Henry Fork River on the left. Signs will be posted. **

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Ronny and Rebecca, I am so sorry to hear about Ed’s passing. I will be praying for peace for you and your family.

—Susan Chernault Steen



Carey, the Celebration of Life service was an absolutely wonderful way to honor Eddie. As the river flowed slowly away, it made me thing about life. Actually, we are born and start our journey down the river of life. Eventually, it leads us to our eternal home where Heaven awaits all of God's children. Everything was just perfect. You did an amazing job to bring everything together. Eddie was smiling on all of us today. As we light our candle in his memory, we know that his light and life will shine on forever in all of our hearts. God bless you and every member of the Lowe family! Love you, Aunt Marcia/Uncle Steve

—Marcia and Steve Williams

Ronny, So sorry to hear of the loss of your son.....as you probably know, our son passed away 2 yrs ago this coming July. He was interested in geneology and ancestry like your son. It is something that nothing can prepare you for. It sounds like he was a very successful and outgoing person who will certainly be missed. Our sympathies are with you and your family... Denzil and Paula.

—Paula Burriss

Carey, You and Ed have been on our hearts every day, and in our prayers also. Wish we could give you a big hug right



now, but this will have to do. We will be with you Saturday in spirit. Much love to your whole family.



Carey, my thoughts and heart are with you. I hate I never got to meet and know Ed, but I know how much you loved him. If you need anything please let me know. Our entire family is thinking of you and yours. Those that are taken from this world never leave us fully. They hold space in our hearts until we meet again and our souls can be whole and rejoice. Sending you much love and many condolences.

—Shelley Poteet



Carey, my heart is truly with you during this difficult time. I am praying that God gives you strength, comfort, and peace in the days ahead. Please accept our deepest and most heartfelt condolences to you and your family on the loss of your beloved husband, Ed. He will always be remembered with love.

—Detonia Waddles

It was always so evident and sweet to see how much Ed loved and supported Carey. He was attentive and ready to help her in any way. That made an impression. We pray that Carey will be comforted today and in each of the coming days by the Lord, who is the Great Comforter. He alone came to bear our griefs and sorrows. We love you.

—Susan and Mark Whittemore

Ed was my Krispy Kreme Buddy until he went on a diet and wouldn't eat them with me but I bet if Carey hadn't been close by I could've talked him into having one... I met him through Carey a longtime family friend so that's what he



became as well... my heart is broken but like Carey stated there's comfort in knowing he's with his Mom and Grandmother! Sleep In Heavenly Peace my friend... until I see you on the other side! Carey I love you and I'm here if you need me...

–Dorothy Johnson



Ed was at one time the father I never had. When my mom and I had nowhere to go, he brought us in and treated us as his own. Clothed us, fed us. I'll never forget the time he brought a bunch of clothes home from Belks and let me keep whatever fit me. He then bought me a ticket to see Taylor Swift in concert and wrote me a long letter about how good of a child I was and how I deserved something good. Love you, Ed

–Alex Robinson & family



I miss you so much already Uncle Eddie

–Lauren J



I am so sorry for your loss. Jeffrey and I wont be able to make it to the service we have a wedding that day that we are a part of. Just know we love you and are praying for you!



We are hear if you need us for anything whatsoever. Praying for you my sweet friend!!

–Jeffrey and Dee De Willaims



So very for your loss; keeping you in our thoughts and prayers…

–Michael Wilson



Praying for you Carey and your family. Keep leaning on Jesus. He will bring you through.

–Stephanie Burgess



Continued prayers for all of you! May God comfort each of you during this difficult time and give you strength in the coming days! Robin Tabor

–Robin Tabor

Carey, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Words just aren't enough. My heart aches for you after this tragic loss. Love you, Aunt Deb

–Deb Smith



My heart breaks for you and his family. I always enjoyed



seeing his happy and smiling face whenever i came to get flowers or seen you two out. Keep those precious memories close. You guys are in my prayers through this time

—Nicole Robinson



Carey, my heart breaks for you and your family. Thoughts and Prayers for you at this time of loss.

—tracy dale



May your spirit rest in eternal peace & love. Gone too soon, yet remain in many loved ones hearts. Prayers sent to all

—Deborah Hillenbrand



There are no words that can truly ease a loss like this. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. We send love, strength and comfort to you and your family during this heartbreaking time.

—Greg & Kimmi Gentieu