



## Dale Franklin Marko

October 1, 1946 - March 20, 2023

Dale Franklin Marko, 76, of Greer, passed away March 20, 2023, at his home. Born in Titusville, PA, he was the son of the late Louis and Mary Werling Marko. He was a Vietnam Veteran with the U. S. Air Force, retired from Greenville County School District, and of the Baptist faith. Dale always said he could never not meet a friend and that was true. Even though he kept to himself, he could light up any room with a joke or a smile. Everyone knew Dale for his hard work ethic and for his jokes. He was an amazing father who always made sure his family was taken care of and safe. Dale leaves behind a legacy of hard workers, dependable friends, and loving family. He will truly be missed.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years: Pauline Lessley Marko; sons: Matthew Dale Marko, Daniel Marko; daughter: Sarah Marko; grandchildren: Alder Marko, Maple Marko; and sisters: Susan Ewing, LuAnn Marko, and Deedra Ashley.

Funeral services will be Monday, April 3, 2023, at 5pm at The Howze Mortuary Chapel.

Burial will be Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 10am, at M. J. Dolly Cooper Veteran's Cemetery.

The family will be at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital P.O. Box 1000, Dept-142 Memphis, TN 38101-9908



# Cemetery Details

## M.J. Dolly Cooper Veterans Cemetery

140 Inway Drive  
Anderson, SC 29621

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 3. 5:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Burial

APR 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

M.J. Dolly Cooper Veterans Cemetery  
140 Inway Drive  
Anderson, SC 29621

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ I am so very sorry to hear about Mr. Dale. He worked at Sterling School and we loved him! He was always so funny. He will be greatly missed here at the school by the adults and kids! My thoughts are with you.

- Maxi Henry

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**Maxi H.** - April 03, 2023 at 04:53 PM

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“ I am so sad to learn of the passing of Mr. Dale. He worked at Sterling School and brought a smile to so many faces each day. Mr. Dale was hard working, kind, and of course funny...OH THE JOKES! I know how much he meant to all of us at school so I can only imagine how special he was to his family. You have my sincere sympathy. Sending love and prayers to each of you. ~Deborah Foulkes - Instructional Coach, Sterling School

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**Deborah** - March 28, 2023 at 07:27 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dale Franklin Marko.



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March 24, 2023 at 08:07 AM

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“ Already missing my uncle and everything he taught me.

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**Wes Curtis** - March 23, 2023 at 08:39 PM



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March 22, 2023 at 10:51 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy on the loss of your husband, father, brother. Although I had not seen Dale in many years I remember my visits to the Wesleyville home. I know that God has opened his arms to another angel. Be at peace.. Cousin Ronda Lewis Bunce*

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**Ronda Lewis Bunce** - March 22, 2023 at 09:12 AM

BC

“ I had the privilege of working alongside Mr. Dale at Sterling School for a couple of years. To say that he kept me on my toes was an understatement! From the moment he arrived for work until the moment he clocked out, never before had I met someone quite as eager to work and to see a job done well as Mr. Dale. He demanded perfection for his students and it was clear they adored him as well. As for me, he would often stop by my office on his way out to chat, to tell me a joke, or just check in to see how I was doing. He loved when people would say "go ahead," so he could razz them (he called it razzing) and ask why they called him a "gourd head." To this day anytime I or anyone else says "go ahead," I can hear his famous joke.

Dale Marko was a good man who loved to make people laugh and to feel part of the team. I am glad I was able to know him when I did and I know I will never meet another like him. He often spoke of his family and friends. In fact, I am sure he's met up with his friend Mr. Bill from Pennsylvania already and they're getting into some shenanigans! But he also spoke so sweetly of his family, and my heart is with you, Ms. Pauline.

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**Brittany Conley** - March 21, 2023 at 08:01 PM

CM

“ Dale will always hold a special place in my heart. He was one of a kind, and no matter what he showed kindness and love to all. Words cannot express how much I will miss our talks, visits and the time we spent playing games. I will hold our friendship dear to my heart always!

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**christi Mills** - March 21, 2023 at 12:12 PM