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Houston, TX

12.18.1984 - 08.25.2020

**Birthplace:** Virginia

Robert 'Rob' Wesley Nurney of Houston, Texas died unexpectedly on August 25. He was the son of Walter and Polly Nurney of Suffolk and a graduate of Lakeland high school class of 2003. After high school he attended Hampden Sydney college from 2004 to 2006.

Following the death of his parents, Rob moved to Norfolk and then to Houston. He was attending the University of Houston at the time of his death where he was a Dean's list student studying political science with a business concentration, and due to graduate in the spring of 2021.

Like his father, Walter, Rob was an avid tennis player. He was a four year varsity letterman at Lakeland High School, and was a member of the tennis team while attending Hampden Sydney. He continued his love of the sport as an assistant tennis coach at Nansemond River High School with his good friend, Shamus Riley. The lady Warriors were four time conference champions, two time regional runners-up and two time state semi-finalists. He loved to share his passion for the sport. He continued playing in Texas and worked at Tennis Express as well as Berkshire Hathaway.

Rob was also a great lover of cars and driving. He could be counted on to give extensive details when asked about any car make or model that was on the road and kept up with every innovation and trend. He was a tireless driver and never hesitated to take on a driving assignment with gusto and his effortless good humor.

Rob loved Texas, its people, and lively diverse cultures. His close friend Jocelyn Pineda remembers him making it a tradition to go to the Rodeo for some Texas fun. "He loved the live music and the barbecue. I miss him so much. I'm glad we were able to make some beautiful memories."

Rob Nurney, much loved by his family, is survived by his aunt Sandra Rawls and uncle Eric Rawls of Vero Beach, Florida, his cousins Colin Rawls of Jacksonville, Florida and his family Katie, Sam, and Lily, and Russell Rawls of Tampa, Florida and his family Kaylie, Blake, and Grant. Funeral services are pending. Condolences may be registered at [www.RWBakerFH.com](http://www.RWBakerFH.com)

## Guestbook

**Bucky and Kay Hurley**

**Mon, 08/31/2020 -  
06:40pm**

We are so stunned and sorry to learn of Rob's loss. Holding all his loved ones close in our hearts.

Bucky and Kay Hurley

**Danny Epperson**

**Mon, 08/31/2020 -  
09:53pm**

Rest In Peace, my friend.

So very sorry to hear this. My deepest condolences to the family. Rob's bright spirit and laughter will be missed. May God give you comfort and peace.

Danny Epperson

**Robert R**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
02:46am**

Rob was an amazing person, he always made me laugh and he had a great personality! He will be missed.

Robert R

**Candice LeDoyen**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
06:10am**

I am so saddened to learn of Rob's death. He was a good person and he made me laugh. I will miss him.

Candice LeDoyen

**Robin Booth**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
06:30am**

Robert was the life of our high school band. He made band competitions fun. Sweet spirited person. Will truly be missed. Praying for all who loved him.

Robin Booth

**Heather Ferguson**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
06:31am**

Rob was an amazing person and his positive energy was contagious. Gone way too soon.

Heather Ferguson

**Marilyn Stulb**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
07:13am**

Rob... full of love & a gentle soul. Wishing you peace.

Marilyn Stulb

**Cathie Stewart**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
08:05am**

I am shocked by Robert's death. I just talked to him less than six months ago. What a sweet young man who left this earth way too early. Peace be with you Robert.

Cathie Stewart

**Laura Harris Brumsey**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
09:27am**

I am so saddened to learn of Rob's passing. We met back in preschool and I was fortunate enough to know him through his high school years. I know that his infectious zeal for happiness and his kind spirit will be missed by many. My thoughts are with his loved ones.

Laura Harris Brumsey

**Cyndi Osborough**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
10:16am**

I am so sorry to read of Rob's passing. He was such a unique spirit, that bright, infectious smile and twinkle in his eyes made everyone he came in contact with smile big right back. Praying for his family & friends at this unimaginable loss.

Cyndi Osborough

**Betty Jo English**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
10:16am**

So very moved to learn of Rob's passing. Condolences to all his family both blood and chosen.

Betty Jo English

**Andrew Fowler**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
10:17am**

Rob was a great person. I remember him coming to spend a few days with my family at OBX. He will be missed.

Andrew Fowler

**Jeffrey W Robertson**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
11:12am**

So sorry to hear to hear the news. He taught Jason how to ride his bike. Although he moved to Houston, he will be missed in Suffolk. RIP Robert.

Jeffrey W Robertson

**Avery Daugherty**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
01:31pm**

Robert, I regret never really telling you the influence you had on me. You and I were in many of the same circles while in high school. You pushed others to be better in a way that can only be described as competitive humor. It was rare to not see you smiling. The party never really started until you were there. Rest in peace my tennis partner.

Avery Daugherty

**Beverly Judkins**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
01:46pm**

I watched Robert grow up at St. Paul's Church. He was such a sweet and happy young man. He will be sorely missed. Condolences to his family and friends.

Beverly Judkins

**Jessica Weaver**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
03:15pm**

May he rest in peace. I pray for the family and friends left behind. Rob was such a funny person, bursting full of life he shared his contagious laughter with everyone he knew!

Jessica Weaver

**Ronald H Williams**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
03:16pm**

Dear Family of Robert "Rob" Nurney,  
On behalf of the City of Suffolk Treasurer's Office, I want to extend to you our sincerest sympathy on the loss of Robert. Robert was such a nice young man. We remember him well, watching him grow and mature into a wonderful young man, during the time his Mother, Polly worked for the City. He was the love of her life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Ronald H. Williams, City Treasurer and Office Staff

Ronald H Williams

**Brittany Lawrence**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
04:49pm**

I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of my former coworker. He was the life of the party and will truly be missed.

Brittany Lawrence

**Thaddeus Scott**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
06:10pm**

This was the funniest but most intelligent person that I have ever encountered. Rob was a wonderful classmate. Rest well my brother.

Thaddeus Scott

**Jennifer Ruffin Ware**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
08:07pm**

Robert you will forever be missed. I'm so heartbroken that we will not see each other at the next reunion. We would joke about where our next reunion would be because I missed the last one. But dear friend you will be in my heart. Thank you for your smile and good spirits! The earth has lost yet another ANGEL! But heaven will be gaining one.

Jennifer Ruffin Ware

**Clinette Eley Oliver and  
Family**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
08:22pm**

Whomever met Robert had no choice but to LOVE him! He was truly an excellent person. Robert was loved and will be missed. Rest easy, Robert!

Clinette Eley Oliver and Family

**Kyle Pinto**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
08:26pm**

Rob was a dear friend, coworker, and brother. Rob always told me how he felt, he opened his home to me when I had nowhere to go. We shared cars, jokes, drinks, and laughter. We met at Starbucks, a job Rob excelled in, and we hit it off instantly. Remembering him and the laughter he shared. Rest in Power Rob.

Kyle Pinto

**Mike and Amy Dail**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
09:37pm**

We are so sorry to hear this. May you rest in peace. Polly and Walter along with Rob were our neighbors for over 18 years. He will be missed.

Mike and Amy Dail

**Lisa Raby**

**Tue, 09/01/2020 -  
10:04pm**

Shocked and saddened to hear of Roberts passing. Thinking of all the funny, sweet stories Polly and Walter shared (during their haircut visits) about Robert when he was growing up! Getting to know him as an adult when he worked at Starbucks was a pleasure. So much fun personality! Contagious smile and laugh! And good friend to my daughter. Condolences to family and close friends. God bless you Robert.

Lisa Raby

**Richard Buck**

**Wed, 09/02/2020 -  
01:30am**

Robert I will never forget working with you at the bank. You Sir were a stand up gentleman and a great soul. You wont be forgotten my friend!

Richard Buck

**Chris Ward**

**Wed, 09/02/2020 -  
02:09am**

I still remember the very first day that Polly brought her beautiful new son into St. Paul's Church in Suffolk. Robert and my son are the same age and graduated from Lakeland High School together. He was a fine young man and loved by so many. He will be greatly missed.

Chris Ward

**Shatondra L. Vinson**

**Wed, 09/02/2020 -  
08:24am**

To know him was to love him. He lit up a room. Funny, energetic, and compassionate. You will be missed♥♥

Shatondra L. Vinson

**Jane O'Connor Smith**

**Wed, 09/02/2020 -  
01:28pm**

My thoughts and prayers are with Robert's family. He always had a smile on his face and a huge heart. He will be missed by many.

Jane O'Connor Smith

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**Tasha S Sweeden**

**Sat, 09/05/2020 -  
07:46pm**

Rob's came into our world first as an acquaintance turned quick friend, to best friend, to family, to best man, then godfather of our daughter Holden. Rob had a wonderlust spirit for life that it was hard to pin him down in one spot for more than a few hours at a time. He had a passion for sports cars, travel, a great laugh, game nights, fine wine, bowties, tennis, golf, good food, his kitty, and his family, chosen family and friends. He was extremely competitive, low key sophisticated, joyful, and always walked with confidence, and a broad smile on his face. He was compassionate and had a heart of gold. We will forever miss you Rob. Salute to you our friend. To his aunt Sandra, cousin's, and Rob's family of friends. Our deepest heartfelt condolences.

Tasha S Sweeden

