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Timothy Lynn Skelton, age 53, passed away peacefully from melanoma at his home in Los Angeles on February 23, 2016 with his mother and sister by his side.

Tim was born August 2, 1962 in Salina, Kansas, the son of Lois Freeman Skelton and the late Vadah Skelton. He was a 1979 graduate of Socastee High School in Myrtle Beach SC, received his B.A. from the University of South Carolina in 1991, and operated residential and commercial painting businesses before attending law school. Tim graduated cum laude from the University of San Diego School of Law in 1998, where he was a member of the San Diego Law Review and the Order of the Coif, the national honor society for graduates in the top ten percent of their class, and voted USD's Most Outstanding Civil Clinic Student. He joined Ropers, Majeski, Kohn, and Bentley in Los Angeles in 1997 as a law clerk, was rehired as an associate upon admission to the California Bar in 1998, and became a partner in 2006. He then joined the complex litigation group in the Los Angeles office of Arent Fox as a partner in 2013. He was a skilled writer with an ability to explain difficult concepts in a clear fashion and was excellent at arguing in court from

U.S. District Court to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Tim had an early interest in the internet and intellectual property that was the cornerstone of his practice. He was an avid car, truck, and motorcycle enthusiast and modified and raced his truck when he wasn't practicing law.

In addition to his father, he was predeceased by paternal grandparents Eugene and Ludie Skelton of Holly Springs, MS and maternal grandparents James and Ruby Freeman of Salina, KS.

He is survived by his mother of Murrells Inlet, SC, sister Julie Skelton, also of Murrells Inlet, uncle Robert Freeman of Salina, KS, aunts Darlene Volk of Osgood, IN, Cynthia Holcomb and Loretta Gassid, both of Skiatook, OK, his friend and law partner for 19 years at Ropers and Arent Fox Allan Anderson, and his wife Nancy, of La Canada, CA, and special friends Chris and Teresa Hughes and their children Claire and Tate of Mount Pleasant, SC.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice or to the Garden City Baptist Church Music Fund, where his mother has been pianist since 1977, at 501 Pine Avenue, Garden City Beach, SC 29576.

Private celebrations of Tim's life will be held at a later date in Los Angeles and Murrells Inlet.

Please sign the families guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is serving the family.

Tribute Wall



“ My cousin Tim was loved by many. It has been difficult to understand the why of his passing. He touched so many and left a positive impact on alot of people. I often reflect on our visits together and smile because they are good times. I hope that those that knew him and have good times with him can rejoice and lock those moments in a special place in their heart because it is in that place that Tim will continue to be with us. Please, whenever you visit that place smile. It is with happy thoughts and fond memories that you will grow the garden of memories within that special place. We love you Tim. Your in our hearts.

Jeremy Gestl - April 10, 2016 at 10:49 PM



“ In his last days he told me to "help keep Mom strong". I am honored he thought his Aunt Cindy could help. Tim's death has left a profound void in our family. God sure did get a 'good one'. Lois and Julie you can be so proud of Tim's legacy. Your fond memories of times together will keep him close to you in spirit:)

Cindy Holcomb - April 10, 2016 at 08:24 AM



“ Lois I'm very sorry to hear of the loss of your son. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time.

Steve and Diane Scavello



Steven Scavello - March 21, 2016 at 04:37 PM

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“Lois and Julie, You both know how we feel about Tim and the impact he has made on our lives. He had the ability to "fill a room" with his presence, his laughter and undeniable charm. Without him even realizing it, he gave Chris, Claire, Tate and I the most valuable gift. The gift of family. For me, living so far from home the holidays were difficult - so he invited us into his family. For Chris, he provided the family he has not had for many years. And for Tate and Claire he will always be "Big Tim" who they see at Christmas. He truly was bigger than life. We are honored to have been part of his life and forever family. We will miss him so much. Teresa

Teresa Hughes - March 19, 2016 at 02:44 PM

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Chris Hughes - March 18, 2016 at 09:01 AM

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“To Lois and Julie - Sheila and I send our deepest condolences to you, the Skelton family and the Freeman's for the loss of a wonderful man that you all were rightly proud of. May you find comfort in the knowledge that Tim touched so many lives in such a positive manner. Our thoughts are with you. We love you.

Tom Scott - March 17, 2016 at 12:10 AM

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“ To my Sister & Niece- No magic words can ease the pain of such a significant loss-yet I'd love to find them. I have sweet memories of Tim's smile, his laughter & kindness that started when we were kids. He will forever be remembered - gone too soon. Recently Tim referred to his illness as a bump in the road - he was a courageous man. Our entire family, though far apart in miles, are grieving your loss. May the Holy Spirit minister to you now & in the days to come. Love - Loretta & Sadik

Loretta - March 16, 2016 at 09:49 PM

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“ Julie - I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your brother Tim. I was a graduate of Socastee High in 1978 and I will always remember Tim as a very nice and polite young man that always had a smile on his face. You and your family will be in my prayers.

Tammy King Lewis

Tammy King Lewis - March 16, 2016 at 08:03 PM