Russell S. Leathe, 62 of Topsfield, passed away on Monday, September 11th at home. Born in Beverly to Norman and Joanne (Zimmerman) Leathe, he graduated from Masconomet Regional High School class of 1979. He graduated in 1992 with a BS from City University in Seattle, WA and pursued a career in IT working as a Systems Engineer at Chase Manhattan Corporate Headquarters and as Director of Networking Systems at Gordon College where he retired after 18 years of service.

Russ was a sports enthusiast. He loved playing soccer, watching World Cup and the Patriots. He was a loving husband and father and dedicated his time to coach Topsfield Youth Soccer and work with the Boy Scouts Troop 81 of Topsfield. He is survived by his loving wife, Jennifer (Williams) Leathe of Topsfield; two sons, Joshua Leathe of Topsfield, Jonathan and wife Stephanie (Antonucci) Leathe of Wenham; one daughter, Jessica Leathe of Wenham; one brother, Michael Leathe of West Windsor, VT; two sisters, Robin Neil of Quechee, VT, Debra Thomas of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

A Service of Celebration for the life of Russell S. Leathe

September 7, 1961 - September 11, 2023



"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Isaiah 41:10

Prelude

Sybil Coleman

Song of Reflection - 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

[Matt Redman and Steve Angrisano]

Welcome and Prayer

Bobby Warrenburg

Hymn - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

Memories - Read by Jonathan Williams

Joshua Leathe, son Jonathan Leathe, son Jessica Leathe, daughter

Slideshow Tribute - Jennifer & Russell, Our Life Together

["I Will Be Here" by Steven Curtis Chapman]

Scripture Readings - Read by Bruce Sperr

John 3:16 (New Living Translation) John 14:1-3 (Living Bible) Romans 8:38-39 (New Living Translation)

Message

Bobby Warrenburg

Special Music - Hymn of Heaven

[Phil Wickham]

Benediction

Bobby Warrenburg

Postlude

Sybil Coleman

Immediately following the service, you are invited to attend a reception in the Family Room (Gym) where you will have an opportunity to greet the family and share a memory of Russ via open mic.