

# Leslie C. Price II “Coach” “Rusty”



Leslie C. Price II (Coach/ Rusty) was born on August 25, 1947, to Leslie C. Price and Catherine Long Price in Baton Rouge, LA. He passed away doing what he loved, riding his bicycle on December 30, 2024.

Rusty was a proud 1967 graduate of Broadmoor High School. After high school, he joined the United States Marine Corps and served in Vietnam where he earned a Purple Heart and the Navy Commendation Medal. After Vietnam, Rusty was assigned to 8th and I, the “Show Boat” of the Corps. He served on many details for the President and was a member of the prestigious Silent Drill team.

After the Marine Corps, Rusty attended Southeastern Louisiana University and was a member of the NAIA National Championship Track and Field team. He cherished his teammates, and was glad to keep in contact with them over the years. Rusty was also an All-American in the Discus and Hammer Throw, and he is a member of the SLU Athletic Hall of Fame.

Upon graduation, Rusty went to work in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System at Broadmoor High School. There he spent the next 45 years as a teacher, coach, and Athletic Director at his Alma Mater. His influence was not only in the classroom teaching science, but on the swimming, basketball, weightlifting, and cross country, track and field teams, as well as football. When asked about his fondest memories, he always talked about how much he enjoyed the time with the other coaches and teaching athletes. He was blessed to work with some of the best coaches in Baton Rouge, and they became his extended family. The Broadmoor football teams in his day were always low in numbers but they were tough as nails.

In his retirement, Rusty enjoyed spending time with his dogs, his “breakfast” friends, particularly those at The Warehouse, spending time at his camp, and

riding his bike through the streets of Baton Rouge.

Rusty is survived by his wife Marline Mire Price, daughter Amber Brown (Bobby), son Cole Price (Holly), grandchildren Elijah, Jonah, and Mia Grace Brown, Mayes Price, and unborn baby girl Price. He leaves behind a sister and brother-in-law, Letty and Bill Strawbridge, sister-in-law Phyllis Schledt (David), mother-in-law Peggy Mire, nieces Ashley Langford (Mike) and Christine Sexton (David) and nephews D'Wayne Strawbridge (Cathryne) and Darren Schledt.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Rusty Price Stadium (Broadmoor High School, 10100 Goodwood Boulevard) on Saturday, January 4, 2024, from 1-3 pm. The suggested attire is athletic wear, as Coach Price would have wanted. Please feel free to wear Broadmoor gear or jerseys.

Donations may be made to Tunnels to Towers or your favorite charity.