

# University loses popular math professor Guillory

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The University of Louisiana at Lafayette lost a valued faculty member March 18, when mathematics professor Carroll J. Guillory died.

Guillory, 55, was a teacher of graduate and undergraduate classes at UL Lafayette for 23 years and had much of his research published in scholarly journals.

Head of the math department Roger Waggoner said that Guillory's teaching and research will be missed.

"He was a very valuable member of this faculty," said Waggoner. "He was dedicated to his students and teaching and to his research. He loved mathematics, but the number one thing in his life was his family."

Guillory, a native and resident of Church Point, is survived by his wife of 27 years and their four children.

Guillory graduated from Southern University with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics. He then received his master's degree and a doctorate of philosophy in mathematics from the University of California Berkley in 1978. He also earned a post-doctoral fellowship from UC-Berkley and was elected as a member of Sigma XI, a scientific research society.

Guillory taught at LSU before coming to UL Lafayette, where he left quite an impression on his students. He was an active member and lector at St. Ann Catholic Church and was a member of the Knights of Peter Claver Counsel No. 39 in Mallet.

"Dr. Guillory was a very special instructor," said math doctorate Candidate Bill Dean, who studied real analysis with Guillory this year. "He was very encouraging. You'd go to see him and he was interested in helping you. He was the

best kind of instructor that you could have. He was very popular with his students. He was a first-class man very knowledgeable."

Dean's classmate Ianna Reed also had glowing remarks for Guillory.

"I think he was a wonderful teacher," said Reed, who studied under Guillory for four semesters. "I think that he really cared about all of his students, and he was there for us anytime that we needed him. He really wanted us to learn and understand the material, and he just had a lot of confidence in us, and he was just a wonderful teacher all the way around."

Mathematics professor Victor Schneider said that Guillory was a dedicated teacher.

"The whole time he worked here he was always interested in his students," said Schneider. "He was dedicated to his research, but he always found time for his students."



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Carrol Guillory taught at the university for the past 23 years until his death March 18.