



Mark William Frederickson

February 6, 1957 - October 17, 2012

Mark William Frederickson, 55, of Charlotte, passed away on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 following a brief illness. Mark was born February 6, 1957, in Flint, the son of Vernon and Eleanor June (Good) Frederickson. He was raised in Beloit and Waukesha, WI until moving to Mason, MI in 1969. An outstanding three-sport athlete, he graduated from Mason High School in 1975. Mark earned a baseball scholarship to Eastern Michigan University, later transferred to Aquinas College and was signed by the San Francisco Giants in 1979 to play in the California League. Following his professional baseball career he returned to Aquinas, earning a BS in Business Administration. Mark earned numerous baseball accolades, his awards and records too many to mention, but was especially proud to have been a member of Team USA (1979), and Ferrari's American Amateur Baseball Congress National Championship Team (1986). In Mark's early sales career he worked for Liberty Mutual, was a district manager for Jiffy Auto Rental and was a pharmaceutical representative. He became a licensed financial advisor and joined Equitable in 1993. He later opened his own business, Frederickson Financial, in 1999 and was passionate about personally serving his many clients. Mark is survived by his wife of 24 years, Linda (Buckingham) Frederickson; daughters Kimberly and Peyton; mother June (Dale) Frederickson-Harvey; brother Paul (Susan) Frederickson of Oshkosh, WI; sisters Christine (Timothy) Dittmer of Shelby Township and Lori (Doug) Lee of Hudsonville; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his

father Vernon in 1981. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, October 22, 2012 at Church of the Resurrection Catholic Church in Lansing, MI, with Rev. Fr. Steve Mattson officiating. Mark's cousin, Rev. Eugene Smith, will assist. Visitation will be 2:00-5:00 and 7:00-9:00 PM with a Rosary Service at 7:00PM on Sunday, October 21, 2012 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte, MI. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.prayfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

TD

“ Thinking of Mark, and thinking of you, his family. I miss him.

Tim Dittmer - October 10, 2013 at 07:26 PM

JB

“ That smile and sense of humor of "Freddie's" I will never forget. The Spartan football games with Linda and Mark, Dan and Shelby, were always a joy too. Watching Kim and Peyton grow up knowing the love and pride Mark had of them and his love for you, Linda was something to see. Linda, we pray that you find confort in knowing the love and strength Mark displayed for his family. Please understand that Kim and Peyton can call on Roni and I anytime over here in Lowell while attending Aquinas College in Grand Rapids. We love you Linda!

John & Roni Breslin - October 22, 2012 at 06:30 PM

NB

“ Linda, Jen Preslar shared this tragic news with me today. I'm so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man and I will always remember your entire family very fondly from my Lugnut days. Deepest sympathies, Natalie

Natalie Holmes Beall - October 22, 2012 at 05:19 PM

LP

“ Linda, I am so sorry and shocked to hear about Mark passing. My prayers are with you, Kimberly and Peyton during this time. I remeber how happy you and Mark were, and what a beautiful family you both made. He was alway smiling and you could tell you both were true partners in life. God bless you, the girls and your family. With love, Liz

Liz Panich - October 22, 2012 at 02:33 PM

SL

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Mark's passing. I was fortunate to have been able to see him just a few weeks prior. He was a true friend.

Sandra Laney - October 22, 2012 at 12:40 PM

GB

“ Linda, Kim & Peyton, There are many memories of your husband/father as we shared some of them tonight at the DeMartin household but the one thing that we all concluded is that Fred was a wonderful husband and father and truly loved the three of you. It showed in everything that he did. I hope all of you know that the Baughmans, DeMartins, Sniders, Mulvanys and Swartouts will be there for all of you! Much love!

Gwen Baughman - October 22, 2012 at 12:40 AM

JM

“ Linda & Family - So sorry to hear about Mark - our thoughts and prayers are with you all

Jim McVeigh - October 21, 2012 at 09:31 PM

BA

“ Li,nda and Kristina and Peyton our sincere sympanthy for your loss. PEYTON STAY IN SCHOOL AND MAKE YOUR DAD PROUD. It will be hard but I have confidence you will do well in school. Wishing the best for your family. With love, Mack and Barb Arrington

Barb Arrington - October 21, 2012 at 08:33 PM

DD

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KG

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you and your family. Mark was a great man and his spirit will live on forever.

Kent & Julie Coenen & girls - October 21, 2012 at 05:29 PM

DF

“ Mark was a loyal and true friend to our family for over 40 years. Words cannot express how much we will miss his steady good cheer and friendship. Mark and Linda were a wonderful couple and we enjoyed getting to know his entire family. Our children got to know their daughters, Kim and Peyton, and over the years had many good times with them. It is a credit to Mark's charm and personality that my kids feel the loss like it was one of their own friends. It's hard to believe "Freddy" won't be around to play golf, eat Mexican food or just hang out. Coming back to Michigan is just not the same without him in our schedule. Life moves on but friendships like his are forever.



Douglas and Valerie DeMartin family - October 21, 2012 at 12:44 PM

BM

“ My name is Bob Maxey and I was lucky enough one summer to play on a baseball team from Mason, called the Mason Suns. The coach was Mr. McDonald. I'm from Holt, but when I met the team, I knew these guys could play. Watching Mark play baseball was special. Getting to know Mark was even better. I always knew Mark would be successful in baseball, and am very happy to see he did in life as well. I will always remember the way he smiled. To his family, only time will give you the chance to let all the loving memories of your father to return. Trust me, when it happens, it is empowering.

bob maxey - October 21, 2012 at 10:32 AM

BP

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I did not know Mark but was in his sister Christine's class at Mason High School. We both moved to Mason in 1969 and were the "new kids" that year. Mark sounded like a wonderful man. Many thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Beth Lensky Prescott - October 21, 2012 at 10:02 AM

D7

“ My deep condolences to Linda, daughters Kimberly and Peyton, Mark's mom and other family members. Though I have not seen Mark since a couple years after High School, I have nothing but great memories of Mark as a true friend during the years in Mason and all years of playing sports together - baseball and basketball from 8th grade through graduation. Mark was always honorable and true to his word and one outstanding baseball player and part of the basketball team that that won all their games as freshman, Junior Varsity and Varsity (1st Year). God's blessing to all of us for have gotten to know Mark.

David Green - Class of 75 - October 20, 2012 at 03:55 PM

MO

“ So sorry to hear of your loss Linda.

Mike Opich - October 20, 2012 at 02:37 PM

CG

“ Linda-Kimberly-Peyton. My deepest sympathy and prayers are with you. You have such a strong family and friends that love you and will be there for you to lean on. We never really die. Our memory lives on forever. I am gone now, Release me Let me go. I have so many things to see and do. You must not tie yourself to me with tears. I could not stay another day To Laugh, To love, To work To play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. Iv'e found that peace at the end of day. So grieve a while for me if grieve you must. Then let your grief be comforted by Trust. My time seemed all to brief. Don't length it now with undue grief. Its only a while that we must part. Then when you come this way I will greet you and say Welcome Home. May you find comfort and strength and hold it in your hearts until you are together again. My sympathy to all of Mark's family.

Cindy Graziano - October 20, 2012 at 01:34 PM

DK

“ Linda, Peyton, Kim: I am so sorry about Freddy's passing. He was a great man, father, husband, and friend. He never said a negative thing about anything. His family was always his #1 priority. I miss him already, I didn't know he was that sick. He was an awesome baseball player, golfer, fisherman, but crappy card player, that is why we played so much, lol. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to ask, I know Freddy would have done the same for me. He was a great friend.

Dan Knechtel - October 20, 2012 at 10:48 AM

KD

“ Linda, So sorry to hear about your family's loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kelly Duch - October 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ I was fortunate to meet Mark at a recent reunion. Always hard to attend those reunions of your spouse but he was very pleasant to talk with. I will keep Linda and your family in my prayers. May God give peace in your time of trial.

Tom Doud - October 19, 2012 at 11:42 PM

PF

“ At the end of every softball season, my team and I would always go to dinner and celebrate together. My softball team was like family to me! This past season, my senior year, my coach passed out all the awards and when he was done he asked, “Does anyone have anything else they would like to say?” My dad stood up and I honestly had no idea what he was about to say. He stood in front of all the teammates and their parents and said “Peyton, I am so proud of you for being so strong through all of this. I am sorry I missed your last three weeks of games while I was sick, I know you did well and you always do. I couldn’t be more proud of you, I love you so much.” Everyone in the room was tearing up because they knew my dad would never miss a game unless he physically couldn’t be there. Until that day, I have never seen my dad cry once and to see him cry while saying that brought a smile to my face! My dad was one tuff guy and he never shed a tear. My dad never missed a softball game or a golf match, and if it wasn’t for him I wouldn’t be playing those sports today! I am proud to say that I will be playing softball for Aquinas, just like him in baseball, and I know my dad will be watching over me every game. I know I’ll do well because after all, I do have baseball in my blood! I loved my dad and I always will!

Peyton Frederickson - October 19, 2012 at 09:19 PM

ME

“ Mark graduated a couple of years behind me and we became friends after college. I was fortunate enough to spend many hours on the golf course with him and we also spent many years at Superbowl weekend. The highlight being his seafood gumbo. It was the best. He went way too young and will be sorely missed by all.

merrill - October 19, 2012 at 08:20 PM

DW

“ Linda, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. We have so many good memories of Mark on and off the field. We are blessed to have known him.

Dan & Toni Willis - October 19, 2012 at 05:33 PM

BP

“ So sorry to hear of Mark's passing,played with and against Mark in baseball,he was a great player and person and will be missed.

Billy Proffitt - October 19, 2012 at 04:31 PM

TD

“ Mark and I fished together. We talked sports and investing and wives and kids and life in general, trying to make sense of it all. We hoisted too many beers together at weddings and funerals and open houses and other family functions. He was one of the people whose memory I always carry with me. One of the good ones. Time will pass, and the smile will return when his memory pops into my mind. Our hearts are always changing. Right now, his memory is heavy.

Tim Dittmer - October 19, 2012 at 03:05 PM

MG

“ Linda, I'm very sorry for your loss. I just wanted to let you know that I've been thinking of you and the difficult time you were going through. Now my heart goes out to you and your family. -Midori

Midori Grahl - October 19, 2012 at 02:44 PM

BB

“ Linda, we're keeping you and your family in our thoughts during this difficult time. Please know that your work family will do whatever we can to assist with anything you might need right now and in the future.

Brandon Bautista - October 19, 2012 at 02:09 PM

EJ

“ I'll always remember Uncle Mark's spirit & youthful energy! He always had a sparkle in his eye and was playful with us kids during Thanksgiving visits (even while cheering on the various Michigan sports teams). Our thoughts and prayers are with you Linda, Kimberly, Peyton, Grandma and all the Frederickson family.



Erika & Eric Jones - October 19, 2012 at 02:08 PM

TM

“ Linda and girls, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know our thoughts and prayers go out to you, and let us know how we can help you. He loved you all very much and was very proud of you. Much love, Terese

Terese Ron Katie and Mitch McInnis - October 19, 2012 at 01:07 PM

TG

“ My dear friend, were it in my power to bear your pain, know that I would. I am deeply saddened knowing the sorrow you and Kimberly and Peyton are experiencing. Although I only knew Mark through your sharing, I know your lives are a testament to the person Mark was and the family you created. I pray that the love of the many friends whose lives have been touched by yours will ease your hurting. May God's peace replace your heartache with warm and loving memories.

Tracy Giesecking - October 19, 2012 at 12:56 PM

DC

“ Linda and family, I am so sorry to hear the news. My deepest sympathy. I was with Mark recently when we went skiing in Utah. I will miss him. Dave

Dave Cannon - October 19, 2012 at 11:20 AM

DS

“ To Wife Linda, daughters Kimberly & Peyton, Aunt June, Paul, Chris, Lori, and families: As I read Mark's obituary in tears, it was like a chunk of my family heritage was taken away. Even though we haven't been connected in many years, Mark is and will always be my special little cousin. (not so little as he grew older; what a towering & handsome man) Mark was the gifted ball player of the family, something I always admired in him. He was talented plus, and I know he was faithful to his God given abilities. His boyish smile and quick responding laughter will be with me forever. As snotty-nosed kids, I have a lot of fond memories of playing ball with Paul & Mark in Wisconsin...and Mark was always ready for another pick-up game at the park. All in all, my scouting report says that Mark was a gifted Frederickson gentleman and an ambitious respectable individual...it doesn't get any better than that! My sincere prayers are with you Linda and girls. Signed, Cousin Don & Denise

donald m. smith - October 19, 2012 at 11:19 AM

TF

“ During Mark Frederickson's youth, he was a welcomed guest in the Snider Home on 215 Lawton Street in Mason, MI. Mark was a gifted athlete with tremendous competitive spirit. We all enjoyed discussing our sport successes and failures in our living room with my parents. Later in life, Mark raised two wonderful daughters with his lovely wife Linda. His humor, great personality and loving friendship will be missed. Your Friends for Ever!



The Snider Family - October 19, 2012 at 10:46 AM

JM

“ Linda, Kimberly & Peyton, I was very saddened when I heard the news about Mark's death. My prayers and thoughts are with you. Please let me know anything I can do for you to help you cope with this difficult situation.

Jason Marentette - October 19, 2012 at 09:41 AM

MN

“ My deepest sympathies to the family. Played baseball with Mark for many years. I too was honored to play with him om the 1979 USA team. He will be in my prayers.

Matt "Nemo" Niewiadomski - October 19, 2012 at 08:14 AM

PC

“ Linda, Kimberly and Peyton, It is very hard to put into words my deepest sympathies to all of you. I only knew Mark through the wonderful stories that were shared of the lively person that he was. May you hold tight to the memories and find comfort in them. May the love and support of those around you help you through the days ahead. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Paula Coulier - October 18, 2012 at 10:22 PM

KG

“ Linda, Kimberly and Payten: Mark's joy of life has positively impacted the lives of more people than you will ever know. His caring nature, interest in others, and sense of humor will carry on in the memories of him held by everyone he has known. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kevin and Dee Green - October 18, 2012 at 08:40 PM

TK

“ So sorry for your loss. Linda, Kimberly & Peyton, you are in our thoughts and prayers along with the rest of your loved ones. Love you guys, Thomas, Anatolie & family

The Lillys & Kovacevichs - October 18, 2012 at 07:39 PM

LH

“ Linda, You have become the heart and soul of our MVU organization. We are so very sad that your soulmate has been taken from you. Savor his remaining scent, your children together, and all your happy memories together. Prayers to you and your family.

Londa Horton - October 18, 2012 at 05:25 PM

PA

“ Dear Linda and Frederickson Family, I am so sorry for your loss of Mark. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May peace and love help comfort you all during this time. Peter

Peter Arashiro - October 18, 2012 at 05:04 PM

DJ

“ Linda and girls, Jeff and I are shocked and wanted to let you know we are thinking of you, if there is anything you need please call. Sending our love.

Denise Jones - October 18, 2012 at 05:00 PM

SC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Linda. I'm so sorry to hear of your loss.

Sarah Cook - October 18, 2012 at 04:56 PM

KN

“ Linda, I am so very sorry for your loss. Even on your darkest days there is an angel by your side to guide you and your loving family along the way. Special thoughts and heartfelt prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.

Katie Niles - October 18, 2012 at 04:53 PM

WS

“ Linda and family - I am so sorry to hear of your loss and am praying for you during this time.

William Springer - October 18, 2012 at 04:45 PM