



Mark Harris

June 17, 1962 - June 24, 2008

Mark Paul Harris, 46, was born June 17, 1962 in Williston N.D to Robert C. & Allene Meiers Harris. He left us on Tuesday June 24, 2008 due to injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident. Services will be held Saturday, June 28, 2008 at 3:00pm at Parkway Funeral Service Chapel, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, ND, with Rev. Darrel Aleson officiating. Visitation will be held from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm Friday at Parkway Funeral Service and continue from 9:00 am until the time of service Saturday. He loved and lived life to the fullest and had many wonderful friends. He was an avid bowler and looked forward to his annual ski trips to Montana. He loved music, movies and was a motorcycle enthusiast. Mark enjoyed a happy childhood and attended school in Williston North Dakota. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 1978 and graduated from Williston High School in 1980. Mark graduated from the University of North Dakota at Williston with an Associate of Arts degree in 1986. He attained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Technology from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, in 1989 and made the National Dean's List that same year. He was honored as one of the "Outstanding Young Men of America" in 1990 and all who knew him, know what an outstanding man he was and will miss his love, friendship and laughter. In 1990, Mark began his career as a computer systems analyst at Boeing Commercial Aircraft Division in Renton, WA. Mark returned to North Dakota in 1995 and worked for the Information Technology Department of the State of North Dakota in Bismarck where he was employed at the time of his death. He

was instrumental in the State's successful Y2K transition and was a member of the Bismarck Elks Club. Mark is survived by his father Robert Harris of Williston; sister and brother-in-law Lynda and Nick Voller of Williston; sister and brother-in-law LeAnn and Al Brunner of Soldotna, Alaska; brother Timothy Harris of Williston; twin brother and sister-in-law Mike Harris and Nancy Davis of Kalispell, Montana; uncle Duane Meiers of Billings, Montana; uncle Merle Meiers of Seattle, Washington; nephews Nicholas Voller and son Zane of Williston, Gabe Voller and his wife Melissa and son Aidan of Missoula, Montana, Shane Brunner of Mesa, Arizona, and niece Shannon Brunner of Lihue, Kauai; and many close friends. He was preceded in death by his mother. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Mark P. Harris to the Elks Camp Grassick, PO Box 1596, Bismarck, North Dakota 58502.

Tribute Wall

MR

“ You were full of live and I loved hearing about your last adventure or the one you were getting ready for! I always looked foward to you coming in..this is such a tragedy. My heart goes out to your loving freinds and family...you are truely missed.

Melissa Rodriguez - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Harris family for this truly tragic loss.I apologize that I will not be able to attend the services,but my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Willy Burke - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear LeAnn and all of Mark's family..I'm so sorry to hear about your brother. My deepest sympathy to you all, Deanne

Deanne Westphal Clemens - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ I remember Mark and Mike from Sunday shcool in Williston ND.As i look back he was always happy and joking around.I have many fond memories of Mark and Mike.My heart felt aympathy goes out to his family memebers.I'm sure he is in peace and looking down at all the people he cared about.God's blessingsJeannie Latendresse

Jeannie Latendresse - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Mark you grew up to be a wonderful young man, it goes back many years for us. From when you were alittle boy, I'm going to miss your contagious laugh. your great sense of humor. It has been such a great time when Leann & Al have come home to spend the time with you,or just running into you someplace. We will all Love & Miss You!!!!!!

Kitty & Dave Busch-Cole - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I'll never forget all those miles, and nights that we preformed with Mark sitting behind the sound board .,The part of our lives that was Sniper made us all into a "band of brothers. " "Le Beau" will be missed by me for the rest of my life. I pray to the Lord that he will comfort all of you in this sorrowful time. If you need anything ,please call me. Rocky

David "Rocky" Rockstad - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Mark had a larger than life spirit. He was so self-sacrificing â?? always more concerned about your needs than his own. I appreciate the way he would use humor to break a silent moment or ease a tense situation. He left us with a legacy of how to be a better person and friend. Mark, thank-you for being part of our lives.

Doran and Sara Eberle - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Mark Harris family from the Dee Heintz Agency at American Family Insurance

Dee Heintz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ I really got to know Mark when we met in Mesa AZ. in the early 80's. I knew him in Williston but really did not get to KNOW him until we hung out in Mesa. His brother & mine were in a band together & Mark & I did sound & lights together on several occasions. We certainly moved a lot of band equipment back then. I considered him a good friend and even though we had not been in contact for years, I will miss him. It will never be said that Mark did not live his life to the fullest. And even though he was taken early, I'm sure that he filled his days with the things he loved.

Paul A Lutz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Always remember a passing is but a second in time and then one is in a New Life. Not even death can separate us from the love of the Creator or the loved one who has passed on.

March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Even though I didn't know Mark well I could tell he loved life and enjoyed laughing. So sorry for your loss. He will be missed by many.

Jeanette Hoffman - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I will always remember Mark for the constant laughter and smiles that seemed to follow where ever he went. C14 meetings and bowling on Wednesday nights will be different knowing I won't be seeing Mark or hearing his laughter. I will forever miss our "serious" bowling conversations...and no Mark, I still don't know when I'm going pro. :

Missy Jahner - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ Mark was like one of my kids, what one didn't think of, the other one did. His smile and warmth will be remembered by us all. We loved him too.

Bev Natwick - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Mark was one of my best friends for 30 years. Mark and Mike and I went out on the road together with our rock band Sniper. We never could have put on our shows without Mark. He was the glue that held the band together and he made sure the lights and PA and vehicles were always running. I will miss you Mark and so will Carolyn "Doll". You are the best friend a guy could ever have and you always put others before yourself. God's speed my friend. Dave

David Lutz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ My sympathies to you. It's such a difficult thing and wanted you to know that you are all in my prayers. Celeste

Celeste Krenz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Mark, You will live on in the hearts of your ski trip buddies & friends forever.....we may no longer have your physical presence but we will now have a buddy with heavenly wings looking over all of us & guiding us safely along the way. We will miss you but we will NEVER forget you. We are all living a better life because of you Mark. Thanks for the memories. You one of a kind. I have had some tears but they will be short term because I'm not going to be sad that your gone, I'm going to be happy because you were a positive part of my life. You won't be here tomorrow but you will live on in our hearts for ever.....Rock on buddy!!!!Rosco

Russ Rings - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Nicole and I went to college in GF with Mark. What great times we had together during those years. Whitey's, Bonzers and of course many nights of listening to music and having lots of laughs. Mark was a lot of fun to be with and he will be missed by many people. I remember at the time we were going to get married and I was training in Seattle and Mark and I rode back to Bismarck together. He was giving me much advise about getting married as most of you know Mark always had a thought on many things. Our prayers are with his family for comfort. God Bless you Mark and we will see you again when our time on earth passes too.

Jeff & Nicole Mindt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Mark was a very special person who made everyone's lives richer just by being a part of them. His upbeat attitude, sense of humor, and great way of telling stories cheered us all up. I will treasure the fond memories I have of Mark - bowling for singles pins, holding tables at Ground Round way too early on Fridays, playing pool by the rules, falling asleep sitting up late in the evening, his techno-speak... I will miss you dearly, but you will always be in my heart!

Jill Schafer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ It has been several years since I spoke to Mark but my memories of him will always be there. Mark always had a positive attitude and outlook on life. I do know that he was a great brother, a friend to all that he knew and every time that I had the opportunity to spend time with Mark, a good time was guaranteed for all! Mark; God's speed and may loving white light surround you and your family always.

Mikel McGee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I was saddened to see the lose of Mark. I met him years ago vacationing with my family in Williston. He was a friend of my cousin Kurts. I had the privilage of attending class with Mark at UND and talked about the good times in Williston. Mark was very focused at school and knew what he wanted to accomplish in life. We will miss you Mark

Mike Sandry - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Mark was such a happy person! He always had a big smile & hug for you. He had been around our family since he & Kurt were in 2nd grade. Any family gatherings would include Mark, as he was part of our family. I will miss watching Kurt & Mark bowl together on Wednesday nights. The good news is that we get to see him again!!

Melodie & Bob Schulz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Mark was truly a great person. I always knew if I needed to smile, laugh, needed help or just needed someone to talk to I could contact Mark. Thanks Mark for your willingness to be there for anyone. You will be greatly missed!!

Amy Helgeson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ The world was much better with Mark Harris around...you knew there would be laughs, great stories, or him offering you anything he had. I remember our talks about his "Rock" days in Arizona, his great mind and passion for electronics especially his DVR, stories when he met Phil Jackson and him showing me pictures of it! Go Lakers, measuring him in the garage and him convincing himself, "I'm way taller than that!" I am so thankful for those times we shared - laughing, sharing and remembering. I realize that in life, certain people cross your path for a reason.... I am surely glad you did, Marky Mark! Thanks for your endless generosity. We'll miss ya buddy.

Dan K. Ternes - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Mark was a good friend. Always full of life and there to put a smile on your face. By far the best bowler on our team back then...you will be missed.

Shane Sanders - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Mark will be missed by many! Our thoughts and prayers are with the Harris Family!

Lanette Lutz Bronson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers and thoughts go out to the family.I knew Mark when he was grown up and was always a kind and loving person.

Carol Forness - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ We would like to offer our deepest condolences to the entire Harris family. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Brad Melland and family - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Mark was a wonderful man and will be missed. We shared great times back in Grand Forks and we were very sad to hear of his accident and passing. You are all in our prayers.

Stacy Brunsoman-Olson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ remember him calling me the little helberg, he always gave me a bad time.

Dennis Helberg - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Mark we will truly miss you. You were always a joy to be around. I don't think I ever saw you without a smile on your face. This fall Wednesday nights sure will be different without you there bowling with the team. You will be missed...

Cindy and Paul Roehrich - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Mark was always a fun loving guy and a great friend that kept in touch after I moved away. I will miss him.

Rose Linnertz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Mark was good people!! Will be in Williston in about a month and had plans to stop by and see him. He always seemed happy and cheerful. I will miss him. Friends and family always came first and meant a lot to him. He would do most anything to help them out when they were down or in a bind. Mark, your memory will live on!

Ron Helberg - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ mark you went way before your time but you left us doing what you love. riding free. many fond memories love your friend Kurt

Kurt Reil - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ You will be forever in my heart my dearest friend.

Sharmain Dschaak - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Mark will truly be missed by all of us at the bowling center. He always was such a positive and friendly person. I enjoyed seeing Mark every Wednesday at bowling and around town. God bless Mark and his family.

Jim Mellon - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM