



Mark J. Stein

May 5, 1953 - April 15, 2017

Mark J. Stein, 63, of Wauconda, IL, formerly of East Peoria, passed away at 8:12pm Saturday April 15, 2017 at Kindred Hospital in Northlake, IL.

Mark was born May 5, 1953 in Peoria to Marvin J. and Mary Ellen Bratt Stein. Surviving are his daughters, Heather (Jon) Weir of Mundelein, IL and Mindy (Brad) Grinde of Tracy, CA, and their mother, Debra Stein; grandchildren, Max "Skeeter" Weir and McClane "Lanie Girl" Grinde; mother, Mary Ellen Heininger; siblings, Judy (Dennis) Stroup, Sandra (Eldon) Schappaugh, Mary Jo (David) Spencer, and Raymond (Patty) Heininger; and good friends and companions, Jim Lake and Jim Hartnett.

He was preceded in death by his father, Marvin J. Stein, and step-father, Howard Heininger.

Mark loved bicycling and belonged to the Windy City Cycling Club. Some of his favorite rides were from Miami to Key West, through Ireland, and on the Natchez Trail. He loved vacationing at the beach, enjoyed the outdoors, kayaking with his grandson, and shopping with his granddaughter at the American Girl Store. Mark retired from AT&T after 35 years of service. In his retirement, he enjoyed volunteering at his grandkids' elementary schools five days a week. He was a loving, kind man who adored his grandchildren and loved being with his family more than anything.

A funeral Mass for Mark will be held at 10:00am Thursday, April 20, 2017 at St. Monica Catholic Church in East Peoria. Visitation will be from 5-7:00pm Wednesday April 19, 2017 at Deiters Funeral Home & Crematory in East

Peoria; additional visitation will be a half hour prior to the mass at the church.
Interment will be at Fondulac Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the East Peoria
Firefighters' Memorial.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Deiters Funeral Home & Crematory - East Peoria
444 E. Washington Street
East Peoria, IL 61611
(309) 699-5999
garydeiters@deitersfuneralhome.com

Visitation

APR **20**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Monica's Catholic Church
303 Campanile
East Peoria, IL

Funeral Mass

APR **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Monica's Catholic Church
303 Campanile
East Peoria, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Sincerest sympathies to Mark's family and all his loved ones.*
Carol Craig

Carol Craig - April 19, 2017 at 05:28 PM



“ *I worked with Mark in Operator Services and also in Engineering at Illinois Bell in Peoria. He was a very nice guy and a real pleasure to work with. I'm sorry to hear of his passing. May God grant you peace and may you find comfort in all of your wonderful memories. Diane (Brooks) Willis*

Diane (Brooks) Willis - April 19, 2017 at 02:31 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mark J. Stein.*



April 19, 2017 at 02:19 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Judy in our prayers and thoughts. Love, Stan & Penny*

Penny Teabeau - April 19, 2017 at 08:05 AM

BD

“ *Such a great friend and kind soul. Mark was a light of sincerity. Tears will dry but he will be missed.*



Brad A Davis - April 18, 2017 at 08:31 PM

BS

“ *You will be missed dearly my friend. Rest In Peace*

Bob Siebenaler - April 18, 2017 at 04:14 PM

SS

“ *I am saddened by the loss of a friend who possessed great kindness and a good heart. I knew Mark through the Windy City Cycling Club and remember his thoughtfulness in looking out for the well-being of others on rides. He chose kindness over competition. He will be greatly missed. I send my deepest sympathy to his family and wide circle of friends as we say goodbye to Mark.*

Stephen Starr - April 18, 2017 at 04:10 PM

SB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I got to know Mark through Windy City Cycling and especially the Ireland trip. His smile will be what I remember most about him. Also, the way he would light up when he talked about volunteering at the school. He will be truly missed by many.*

Sheila Bogart

Sheila Bogart - April 18, 2017 at 02:03 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mark J. Stein.*



April 17, 2017 at 09:42 PM



“ *I am so sorry and sad to see this Jim. We had wonderful memories with Mark at our dinner club. I will miss Mark. Sending you, Mark's family a big hug and all of you are in my prayers.*



Vito Cifaldi III - April 17, 2017 at 08:14 PM



Amen and R.I.P Neighbor

Kevin W. Kick - April 17, 2017 at 10:57 PM



Heather Gorniak

“ *My heart hurts so bad for Heather, Max, Mindy, & Lanie. I know your dad and grandfather was a great man. I hope knowing that he is free from any illness and is in a glorious place, helps you cope. If there is anything I can do for you here, let me know. He was definitely a bright light in your lives. He will be much brighter now. He will always cherish his kids. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love you.*

Heather Gorniak - April 17, 2017 at 07:29 PM

DK

Heather Max Mindy Lanie so Sorry about your Dad and Grandpa he was a good man to me

Donna Kay Kuhn - April 17, 2017 at 08:16 PM

RC

I had some very interesting and special moments with Mark at Washington School. Mark was so kind and generous with students, both with his time and his heart. He had a positive impact on so many children.

Rickie Cowin - April 18, 2017 at 11:26 PM