



Mike Zumer

November 1, 1963 - July 12, 2020

Mike Zumer, 56, of Lincoln, NE and formerly of Chatham, IL passed away unexpectedly Sunday, July 12, 2020, in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Born November 1, 1963, in Davenport, IA the son of Don and Mary (Bartmier) Zumer. He graduated from Burlington Central High School in 1981 and Western IL University in 1987. Mike married Jill Getzelman at the Burlington United Methodist Church on July 25, 1986.

Mike was a loving husband and father. He was fiercely proud of Clint and Bailey, and was an avid coach during their years of hockey, softball and baseball. He even founded a Women's Hockey program with his wife, Jill, in Springfield, IL. Prior to playing the role of coach for his children, he was the goalie coach for Lawrence University in Appleton, WI.

Mike spent his professional career traveling across the country in the Animal Health industry. Working for North Shore Canine, Fort Dodge Animal Health (Pfizer), Harris Vaccines, Phytobiotics and most recently Neogen. During his time at Fort Dodge Mike received the President's award for outstanding sales. Mike thoroughly enjoyed all of the clients, friends and co-workers he met along the way.

In 2006, he and his friend, Greg, began a business partnership called LOK-N-

BLOK. Mike was the Chief Operating Officer for the company. He had been looking forward to revolutionizing the building industry.

His personal interests found him on the golf course - walking, of course (since he did not like to use a cart). He held many positions at the hockey rink as a fan, referee, coach, and goalie (with his "special" water bottle). Most recently, Mike found his passion for cooking. He was creative and loved sharing his new recipes with others. When Mike wasn't on the course, the rink, or at his Traeger smoker, he could be found swinging his wife, Jill, around the dance floor to live country music - occasionally, he would even grab the mic!

Survivors include his wife, Jill and their children Clint and Bailey, mother Mary, brother Mark, sister Sue (Phil) Cwik, father-in-law, LeRoy Getzelman.

Mike was preceded in death by his father, Don and his mother-in-law, Ruth Getzelman.

Visitation will be Sunday, July 19 from 2:00-6:00 pm at Fredrick Funeral Home 284 Park St. Hampshire, IL 60140. Due to COVID 19, social distancing and masks will be required.

A private funeral service will be held on Monday.

A Memorial Service will be held in Springfield, IL in August/September - date to be determined.

In lieu of flowers, we will be collecting donations in Mike's memory to be dispersed among the various youth hockey communities closest to Mike's heart.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 19. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Fredrick Funeral Home
284 Park St.
Hampshire, IL 60140
(847) 683-2711
<https://www.fredrickfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

DA

“ Jill, this is Dawn from your Hamilton Partners days. For some reason, you just crossed my mind and since I don't "do" social media, I Googled you. So sorry to hear about Mike's passing. He was a salt of the earth person just like you.



Dawn - April 03, 2023 at 11:32 PM

DA

“ I didnt know him well but what I knew of him was a pleasant cheerful and thoughtful man.

Dan Atkinson - July 25, 2020 at 01:07 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mike Zumer.



July 19, 2020 at 08:47 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mike Zumer.



July 19, 2020 at 06:34 AM

YK

“ Yogi & Kenny purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mike Zumer.



Yogi & Kenny - July 18, 2020 at 05:18 PM

KM

“ I wish words could heal your hearts, they won't. Memories will make the hurt seem less. Mike became a very good friend during our time at Phytobiotics, open honest and caring. He talked about you, his family with pride and love.

I look forward to a time for that Final Final on the other side, Mike!
Rest In Peace brother.

Kelly Montgomery

kelly montgomery - July 17, 2020 at 03:29 PM

CG

I ditto Kelly Montgomery's comments! Mike was a blessing to work with and be around.

Court Garloff

court garloff - July 21, 2020 at 05:15 PM