



Todd Armstrong

January 12, 1978 - December 14, 2013

Age 35, passed away Saturday, December 14, 2013. He was born January 12, 1978 the son of William (Bill) and Meredith (Mickey) Armstrong, also of Saline. Todd was an Engineering Graduate of the University of Colorado and attended Saline High School Class of 1996. Todd was an accomplished athlete. Excelling at hockey since the age of 5, playing on travel hockey teams and was the MVP and leading scorer on a state championship qualifying team. He was a high school football star running back and track sprinter. In college Todd trained with the University of Colorado triathlon team. He also successfully completed the Columbus, OH Marathon. He developed his love of math and science into an automotive engineering career. He worked for Visteon where he designed and released the throttle body assembly for the Ford GT. He also worked for Delphi and helped design propriety systems used in "smart" air bag deployment. On the side he further pursued his engineering interests developing an innovative golf club featuring a sweet spot indicator using capacitive plate technology, for which he has a United States Patent. An avid reader, Todd loved classic literature, namely "War and Peace" as his favorite book. Often reading with his beloved dog Chief by his side. Todd, survived childhood non-Hodgkin lymphoma cancer. He is survived by his parents and also by his sister Cheryl, her husband Mark, and Todd's only niece Mae Steigerwald of Lakewood, OH. Cremation has taken place and burial will take place at a later date. A Memorial Service will take place on Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at 11:00 A.M. at the First Presbyterian Church of Saline located at 143 E. Michigan Ave, Saline, MI 48176 with a luncheon to follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research Fund (University of Michigan) Depression Center Development Office, Rachel UpJohn Building, 4250 Plymouth Rd. Ann Arbor, MI 48109 <http://www.prechterfund.org/> or to St. Joseph Mercy Hospice Washtenaw Medical Arts Building 3075 Clark Road, Suite 200 Ypsilanti, MI 48197. Envelopes will be available at the church where friends may begin calling on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 6:30 P.M. and also on Wednesday, December 18, 2013 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:00 A.M. To sign Todd's guestbook, to leave a memory or for more information or directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Events

DEC **Visitation** 04:00PM - 06:30PM

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First Presbyterian Church of Saline

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DEC **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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DEC **Memorial Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ Dear Mickey and Bill,

It's been near seven years since you lost your precious son. Please know that there are still a lot of folks that hold you in their prayers and thoughts as time passes. I just wanted you to know I am one of those folks that care and say a prayer now and then for you.

Carter III Bishop

Carter Bishop - May 10, 2020 at 08:12 AM



“ i knew Todd (you) better than most in these passing years. Good or bad, it was so. I just want everyone to know that i did my best to help my loving Todd in the most wonderful of ways. I feel i failed but know inside that the torment and triumphs that he faced daily was more than.....shoot.....I do not know. More than any of us have faced. I know his demons and i talked him down from cliffs he was sure to have dropped: not due to me, but the God he neglected to know...know...know.. I miss the people he planned for me to meet and i sorrow in that. Know me through my undying and forever loving emotions he brought to me and my life and those who truly KNEW who Todd is and was. I may not have been included as I know many may hate or never heard of me, Cassandra Florian. Friend, lover and undying support in his everyday existence of his demon-ridden filled life. there was much happiness and fantastic events we shared that I would pay for everyone to know: as I did. I am not special. Todd's family and friends each shared in a divine moment(s) with him. He spoke much of his family to me as well as "Hope" and his best friends, who I know i would not have been invited to in the case of a beautiful wedding, etc..... I have changed for the better through him and I am thankful for that alone. Todd.....I miss you and I will forever, forever and forever hold you in my heart for all days to come. Till we meet again! oxcassox

cassie - April 09, 2014 at 10:25 PM



“ Mornings at your house before school for many years. Rest in God's peace and everlasting love. Tracy Hoard (Sniderman)

Tracy Hoard - December 28, 2013 at 10:12 PM



“ Sending our sympathy at your time of great loss. Todd was a great hockey player! We hope your family can find peace and comfort with each other during this very difficult time.
Anita and Gary Acree

Anita Acree - December 20, 2013 at 08:20 AM



“ Sending thoughts and prayers to Todd's family and dear friends at this difficult time. I have many fond memories of Todd as a childhood friend and classmate. Most of them center around difficult math & science classes and AP tests, but I know we had a lot of fun as well! He was a such a positive and motivating person to be around. Although we lost touch after high school it sounds like he continued a very full life with his career and athletic achievements. What a great example of living life beyond any limits. Rest in peace Todd. -Love, Diana Bitleris & Family

Diana Bitleris - December 17, 2013 at 12:43 PM



“ I am sad to hear about Todd. I remember him from playing SHS football, and the struggle he went through with cancer at that time. We had shared the same interests in old Mustangs, and I enjoyed reading that his passion was transferred into his engineering abilities! I will remember him as being a nice, stand-up guy.

Aaron Warner - December 17, 2013 at 05:55 AM



“ Todd...my Michigan cousin that I got to see about once a year when we were growing up. We'd have so much fun together that short week we'd visit...Scott, you, Cheryl and I. Those are the happy times I will remember ...us laughing as kids, racing the pedal car down Grandma and Grandpa's driveway. I'm sure they were there...greeting you with open arms and holding you tight. They loved their grandchildren!

Love,

Monica

Monica Buchman - December 16, 2013 at 10:56 PM



“ Todd joined our team in 2000 in the throttle body group. He took over the engineering responsibilities on several (something like twenty) programs. It was incredible how he jumped in with both feet. There was a ton of work, a ton of challenges and Todd was undeterred. What a great help he was! But, my fondest memories are of Todd as a person and as a friend. He was a joy to work with. We shared a passion for skiing and I loved hearing about his Colorado adventures. And, I remember his other athletic endeavors... at a level that many of us can only aspire to be. I remember a Domino's Farms Holiday Lights 5k back then ...couldn't keep up with him! But more so, hanging out with him at the get-together afterwards. I feel blessed that we were able to re-connect earlier this year when he re-joined Ford for a short time. I only wish I would have stayed more in touch with him throughout the years! Now, I picture him skiing big powdery back country mountains on sunny days, whenever he wants!

Scott Langley - December 16, 2013 at 12:31 PM



“ I have so many memories of Todd, as a baby, growing up, playing sports, laughing. He took the time to call me several times over the past year to just talk, to see if he could be a sounding board during my cancer treatment. He understood what I was going through and knew that sometimes only someone who had experienced the same could help. I will be forever grateful for the support he gave and honored to have had him as my nephew. Godspeed and may the angels embrace you with open arms. Until we meet again.

Susan Wells - December 15, 2013 at 05:55 PM



“ I am so very sorry to hear about Todd's passing. I haven't seen him in so many years but I always liked him very much. I remember him as such a nice, friendly guy with many talents and very smart!! And such a fast runner! I'm sure the pain felt by all his friends and family is too much to bear. I will pray for you.
Suzanne (Burke) Ratcliff

Suzanne Ratcliff - December 15, 2013 at 04:09 PM



“ Todd was older than me; I mostly knew him through my brother as a child. I recall tagging along to several parties. I was not treated as the tag along, but was welcomed by him and his family. Rip.

john - December 15, 2013 at 01:57 PM



“ Miss you Todd RIP man you're not in any pain you have wings now.

kris Ticknor - December 15, 2013 at 11:10 AM



“ I had fun living with Todd and i took care of him i took him to place and help him out lot i will miss him RIP man from our true friend Kris i blast with you taking you to models shop build models together hang with you and Chief

kris Ticknor - December 15, 2013 at 11:06 AM