



William Dennis "Denny" Zink

February 19, 1953 - January 13, 2014

Age 60, passed away on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at home. He was born February 19, 1953 in Detroit, MI, the son of Norbert and Mary (Long) Zink. On October 13, 1973 at St. James United Church of Christ, he married Donna May Luckhardt and she survives. Denny received his diploma from St. Mary's of Redford in 1971. He worked for the City of Ann Arbor where he retired after 19 years. He enjoyed spending time at the cabin in Vanderbilt, traveling, deer hunting, boating and working on the farm. He especially enjoyed spending time with his wife, children and grandson. Survivors include his wife Donna May Zink and their 3 children: David (Lauren) Zink, Deanna (Stephen) Shank, and Darryl (Jen) Zink and grandson Brandt Shank. He was also survived by 6 sisters and 3 brothers: Barbara (Don) Zerbak, Cindy (Dan) Taylor, Norbert "Butch" Zink, Mary (Brian) Sullivan, Rod (Arika) Zink, Donna (Drake) Seeley, Rita (Henry) Strong, Frank (Julie) Zink, Nancy (Todd) Shook and several nieces and nephews. His parents preceded him in death. Visitation will be on Sunday, January 19, 2014 from 2:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. at St. James United Church of Christ of Saline, and on Monday, January 20, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of the service at 11:00 A.M. also at St. James United Church of Christ of Saline, with Rev. Wallace Tatara, officiating. Burial will follow at St. James United Church of Christ Cemetery in Saline Twp., MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Church and the American Heart Association. Envelopes will be available at the church. To sign Denny's guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please

visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. James United Church of Christ
11005 West Michigan Avenue
Saline, MI 48176
<http://stjamessaline.com>

Visitation

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James United Church of Christ
11005 West Michigan Avenue
Saline, MI 48176
<http://stjamessaline.com>

Service

JAN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James United Church of Christ
11005 West Michigan Avenue
Saline, MI 48176
<http://stjamessaline.com>

Graveside Service

JAN 20. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. James Church Cemetery
11005 W Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176

Tribute Wall



“ *William Dennis "Denny" Zink*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Dear Zink Family,
We are very saddened to hear about Denny.
Noah has been getting pigs for his roasts
from him for years. I work in A2 and had the
pleasure of meeting him and many of my
family know him as well. My heart and prayers are with you.
Sincerely,
Annette Temple & Noah Caincross Jr.*



annette temple - January 23, 2014 at 12:03 PM



“ *Donna and family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Denny was a truly good
man and we will miss him greatly!
Mike and Lola Estes*

Lola Estes - January 22, 2014 at 10:35 AM

SJ

“ As a child, all I knew was that the farm was our playground, and that the endless fun in the snow up north was just something people did all winter like we did, but as I grew up throughout the years I realized that this was no ordinary life. This was a life that one simple man had built for his family and I was just lucky enough to tag along for the ride when I could. I realized after today that I am not the only one to say this, but Denny taught me more than he probably ever imagined he did, which now I will hold even more close to my heart than I did before. He was like a second dad to me, and I can only hope that I will be able to provide such a magical childhood for my children and set such examples of generosity, kindness, and goodwill for them to follow. He was an incredibly sweet man and had an incredible impact on everyone he knew. Donna, David, Deanna, and Darryl although this seems so unfair right now, have faith that one day we will know the reason for this tragic loss. Until then, although they may not compare, I hope that you are surrounded by the many stories Denny's friends and family members have of him, since I know we will all be missing his!!! - Love you guys!!!! ~Sarah Jean

Sarah Jean - January 20, 2014 at 09:08 PM

GM

“ Donna and Family,
Our hearts were sadden when we heard the news of Denny's passing away and our sympathy goes out to you. Jesus says we are but visitors here and Heaven is our home. We look forward to the day we all meet in Heaven. May God bless you. Gary an Karen Marion

Gary Marion - January 20, 2014 at 12:16 PM

RN

“ I am so sorry for your loss he was a wonderful guy and will be missed Mr. & Mrs.Ronald Nicholson

Ron and lori nicholson - January 19, 2014 at 03:13 PM

KB

“ My Dear Friends, Please know how much I Love all of you. And how truly sorry I am for your great loss. Your all in my thoughts and prayers.. God Bless.. Love, Kari Beach

Kari Beach - January 19, 2014 at 01:58 PM



“ Dear Donna, David, Deanna, Darryl and families, you have our most heartfelt sympathies. Denny was a great guy who will be missed by very many of us who were lucky enough to know him.We pray that God wraps his loving arms around each of you and that you feel his comfort, strength and love at this very difficult time. Find comfort knowing one day you will see him again but until then love one another and be happy because that's what he would've wanted for his family. Take care. Love, Buck, Laurie and families.

Laurie Naebeck - January 19, 2014 at 12:41 PM

HF

“ On behalf of my family I send our deepest sympathy to all of you(Donna, Deanna, David and Daryl-and there families, for your loss. Growing up with Denny's children and my parents being friends with Donna and Denny, I have many fond memories! Summer parties and the cabin! He will be so dearly missed by many, but he has left so many wonderful memories! God bless all of you during this difficult time and I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers! Love Heidi Feuerbacher(marc, Jacob and Allison)

Heidi Feuerbacher - January 19, 2014 at 08:22 AM

LD

“ *Our Sympathies to the Zink Family*

Tom & Lisa DeWolfe

Lisa & Tom DeWolfe - January 18, 2014 at 07:00 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of William Dennis "Denny" Zink.*



January 18, 2014 at 02:13 PM

RQ

“ *I was very saddened and surprised to read of the passing of Denny. I haven't seen him for many years, but remember him as a kind, gentle, soft spoken young man. On behalf of the Quigley family I extend our deepest sympathy to his family and all of his brothers and sisters. I am sure he will be greatly missed.*

*Most Sincerely,
Rosemary Quigley*

Rosemary Quigley - January 18, 2014 at 09:09 AM

TS

“ *We feel blessed to have known Denny. His humor, spirit, and generous heart made him such a special man. We extend our deepest sympathies to his family.*

Karl, Theresa, and Karlee Schenk

the Schenk's - January 16, 2014 at 05:15 PM

DG

“ Deepest sympathies to all of the Sink family. God hold your hearts and give you peace. I knew "Wally" as he was known in high school. He was a kind and good friend . Gods bless you all. Diane Gielniak

Diane Gielniak - January 15, 2014 at 07:55 PM

MH

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Denny was a wonderful man and will be missed by all who were lucky enough to have known him. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mark and Judy Hinckley



Mark and Judy Hinckley - January 15, 2014 at 07:02 PM



“ I'm very sorry for your loss Donna. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Angela Johnson - January 15, 2014 at 06:45 PM

AJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, Donna. I'm sorry for your loss.

Angela Johnson - January 15, 2014 at 06:37 PM

AJ

“ Angela Johnson lit a candle in memory of William Dennis "Denny" Zink



Angela Johnson - January 15, 2014 at 06:35 PM

PA

“ So very sad to get this news! Only knowing him briefly, and as he flew past my desk on a mission here at the city, he was always kind and never missed saying hello. May he rest in peace in our lords light and love. Our prayers are with you. *Patty*



Patty - January 15, 2014 at 07:44 AM

DB

“ We are very deeply sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to the entire family. *Diane (Mullins) Bruce and Family*



Diane (Mullins) Bruce - January 15, 2014 at 07:33 AM

CA

“ Denny always greeted me with a smile and a "how are you". I enjoyed his friendship and humor. I am so very very sorry for your loss and your pain. In TIME your faith will give you comfort. So many emotions will cross your path in the days, months and years ahead.....they are all healthy to have. You will be in my thoughts...reach to your friends in your sorrow. Love and sympathy. *Cheryl Ahrens*

Cheryl Ahrens - January 14, 2014 at 07:39 PM

RW

“ I was saddened today to hear of Denny's passing. When I started at the City over five years ago, Denny was one of the first and nicest people that I met. He took time out of his busy day to drive me around in his truck, show me the work that his crew did and even buy me lunch at the Big Boy. I will always remember Denny as one of the most genuine, down to earth people that I have ever worked with....he talked a lot about his farm and his family. My deepest condolences.

Robyn Wilkerson

Robyn Wilkerson - January 14, 2014 at 05:59 PM

SS

“ I'll never forget the season that Denny shrink wrapped Donnies truck in blue....he will be missed...

susan sheets - January 14, 2014 at 05:28 PM

CR

“ Our sympathy to all of you. Denny was a good person and we always enjoyed being around him. May the message of Salvation comfort you.

Scott and Carlene Rogers

Carlene Rogers - January 14, 2014 at 02:53 PM

MM

“ Luke 27:10, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ “(Parable of the Good Samaritan). Denny was a modern-day Good Samaritan—always there lending a hand to anyone no matter what the situation. You can be very proud of your Christian husband, father, grandfather, neighbor, and friend for he was a great man! May you find comfort knowing this is a temporary separation until you see him again in the glory of heaven. He will always be just a thought away.

Marlene Marion - January 14, 2014 at 01:54 PM

GG

Our hearts are heavy for the entire Zink family. He was taken WAY too soon. Please somehow, allow our loving thoughts and prayers to comfort you during this tragic loss. He was such a good, kind and friendly person. We had so much fun playing volleyball with him and his wife and I also enjoyed seeing him at local venues and parties. I know he is now in Heaven and will be with you all this weekend and forever more until we can all be with him again someday.

Grace Greaves - January 14, 2014 at 03:57 PM

PN

Donna, David, Deanna, Daryl and families. My thoughts and prayers go out to each of you. Denny will be missed by everyone, he was such a great person.
Pat Neil

Pat Neil - January 15, 2014 at 08:53 AM