



Philip A. Parkhurst

December 16, 1966 - June 16, 2016

Philip A. Parkhurst, age 49, of Huntington, formerly of Frankfort, died unexpectedly on Thursday (June 16, 2016) in Huntington.

He was born in Kokomo on December 16, 1966 to Donal and Louise Parkhurst. He was a 1985 graduate of Clinton Central High School in Michigantown, Indiana.

Philip is survived by his mother, Louise Parkhurst of Sturgis, Michigan, a brother, Donal (Robin) Parkhurst Jr. of Frankfort, a sister, Dawn (Kevin) Osborn of Lafayette, three nephews and a great niece. His father precedes him in death.

A memorial will be held from 1 - 3 p.m. on July 9, 2016 at Clinton Central School, 815 IN-29, Michigantown, Indiana, 46057.

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Phil at the basketball callout meeting in the fall of 1979. He was the point guard on the seventh grade team at Clinton Central during the 1979-1980 school year. In later years, he was also a member of the student delegation that participated in the Indiana State University Model United Nations program.

What I remember most about Phil is that he was always smiling. Whether he was walking down the hall, sitting in class, going through a pre-game walk-thru, running wind sprints in practice, or sitting through a halftime pep talk, he had a smile on his face. Another memory I have of Phil is when he learned of his diabetic condition. He understood, accepted, and patiently explained to others his daily routine and restrictions with a maturity beyond his years. I marveled at his discipline and ability to enjoy daily life without complaint.

From the late 70's to the early 2000's, I was fortunate to coach basketball, baseball, track and tennis. When I recall those times, memories of that first basketball team at CC are among the best of my career. Phil's ability to have fun with life in general, and sports in particular, was contagious. It spread to his peers, teachers, and coaches alike.

The last time I talked to Phil was more than a decade ago. He seemed enthusiastic at returning to umpiring. We planned to get together to revisit old times, but unfortunately, never made that happen.

I hope that each of his family members will take comfort in knowing that Phil was a bright light in many people's lives, and that his spirit will be remembered and celebrated for many years to come.

Rest in peace, Phil. Thanks for all of the smiles along the way.

Greg Smiley - October 12, 2017 at 11:59 AM

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“ *To Phil's family, I was Phil's trainer when he started at Walmart. He was always great to work with and I miss seeing him when I shop there now.* ”



Terry E Scher - September 22, 2016 at 03:26 PM