



Wayne Matthew Zawtocky

March 16, 2005

Wayne Matthew Zawtocky, age 60, died Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at Conway Medical Center. Mr. Zawtocky was born in Herkimer, NY, a son Matthew Stanley and Mabel Alice Frechette Zawtocky. He was an employee of World Tour Golf Course. Mr. Zawtocky worked as a school teacher in the South Colonie School District in Albany, NY for 35 years. Surviving in addition to his mother and father of Herkimer, NY, are his wife, Patricia Zawtocky of Conway; three daughters Karey Wantuch of Ballston Lake, NY, Jennifer Salmi of Temecula, Calif, and Kimberly Zawtocky of Ballston Lake, NY; three grand children Evan Wantuch, Isabelle Salmi, and Trevor Salmi; one brother Allan Zawtocky and wife Carol of Kaneohe, Hawaii; one sister Sharon Whalen and her husband Rodney of Herkimer, NY; one nephew Geoffrey Zawtocky of Durham, NC; and two nieces Robin Meszler of Herkimer, NY and Wendy Arner of Waxhaw, NC. A funeral mass will be held 10:00 AM Friday from the St. James Catholic Church with Father John Silver officiating. Directed by Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel.

Tribute Wall



“ Z, I just remembered our good ole baseball days -- man were they fun. Nobody cares the way you did -- they never again will!
Chuck###imported-begin##Chuck###imported-end##

March 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Z, Myrtle Beach was everything you told me it was...the golf was great... I understand your love for this place. Patti, I tried to contact you, I'm sorry I was unable to get in touch with you. Although we only met once I know your a great lady; Z told me.###imported-begin##Chuck###imported-end##

April 26, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Wayne, How's that 19th hole? I know you and my dad never met, but you both have a lot in common now between Isabelle and Trevor. I hope you both are able to see them now and know how much they love you! Trish, You're strength and commitment this last year is a testament to the love you and Wayne shared. Know that our hearts and blessings are with you at all times. Karey, Kim, and Mom Z., I know what you went through and are still experiencing and I feel blessed that I was able to be a part of it and hopefully help in some small way. I love you all and want to let you know that the pain does ease and Wayne will always be with you. To my wife, Jen, I watched you go through one of the toughest times in your life and you handled it with strength, love, compassion, and dignity. As proud as I am of you and as much as I love you, know that your father loves you and is proud of you, too, and is watching over us now. This is another road that you and I will walk together, and I am glad we can both lean on each other during the journey. I love you very much and am always here for you. Wayne, Baseball has started and spring is around the corner. I went to the Padres game yesterday and sang "Take me out to the Ballgame" for you during the 7th inning stretch! I'll take care of Jen and your grandkids down here easier now knowing you are looking out for them up there. It's an endless spring now, the home team always wins, and all your tee shots land in the fairway! Don###imported-begin###Don###imported-end##

April 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Mike and I would like to share our deepest sympathy to all the Zawtockki family. May Wayne now have eternal peace.###imported-begin###Mike & Annetta Carrano###imported-end##

April 08, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I'll always remember Mr. Z setting up our tent on prom weekend 1990.##imported-begin##Lenae Pohl##imported-end##*

April 03, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Hello Dad, It's me -- your middle daughter. This is so hard for me. Everyone keeps telling me to remember the good times, but is knowing that we won't be sharing anymore of those for a while that hurts. I was telling Kim and Karey that "you don't know what you've got until it's gone". But the way I like to look at it is Heaven didn't know what they had until you left -- you had to go back. I think back to when I first heard about your cancer and I said to myself, "No, that's not my Dad" Also when the Dr.'s told you there was no cure I said, "That's not my Dad to believe them. He'll be fine." Then as I rushed into the hospital and saw you lying there with all those machines I cried and said, "NO, THAT'S NOT MY DAD!!!" It wasn't until I was standing by your side as you passed and Grandpa took off all those ugly machines that I saw you look so beautiful and so peaceful. I gave you a big hug and said so proudly, "Now that's my Dad!" I'm still having a hard time understanding that you're not coming back. Where is that funny guy who was just telling the nurse to set his meatloaf on his nightstand? Where is the man who left his slippers on the side of his bed, his reading glasses in the magazine rack, and his grandkids Easter baskets in his garage? I want him back! One more hug, one more call telling me how proud of me you are or that you just bought out the entire Care Bear and Sports section of Toys'R'Us for Isabelle and Trevor. One more time to tell you again just how much you mean to me and I love you. Each day I pass your picture I think to myself, "Wow, Isabelle is right -- Grandpa is an angel." I know from now on no matter what I do, good or bad, I can go to that picture and have you right there to help guide me. Thanks for always smiling back at me Dad. I love you!
Your daughter forever, Jen###imported-begin###Jen
Salmi###imported-end###

April 02, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your sorrow. We will pray for the comfort of your family and friends. Jacque and Sal##imported-begin##Jacqueline and Salvatore Formica##imported-end##

April 01, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Wayne, You added a wonderful quality to my life. You also made my mother so very happy and for that I am deeply grateful. You were a kind and caring step-father and I thank you so much for all that you have done for me. I will truly miss you. You hold a special place in my heart and will never be forgotten. With lots of love,
Heidi##imported-begin##Heidi Shults##imported-end##

April 01, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Jen, You and your family are in our prayers. Mark, Linda, Amber, Anastasiya, and Will##imported-begin##Mark Otten##imported-end##

March 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Wayne, I love you so much honey. You gave me the happiest 7 years of my life. You always said that your idea of heaven would be for us to walk on a beach holding hands for eternity. I'll be here hoping to feel your hand in mine as I walk on the beach for both of us until I can be with you and we'll walk for eternity. Your loving wife
Trish##imported-begin##Trish##imported-end##

March 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to you and family on your loss. God bless.##imported-begin##Gonzalo Martinez##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Zawtockki Family- I was so saddened to hear about Wayne. It seems like it was just yesterday that he was my next door neighbor on Red Coach Trail. Eric remembers "godfather Wayne" and we always looked forward to hearing from him. Wayne was a great guy and will be missed by all. I hope your memories bring you comfort at this difficult time. My thoughts are with you all.##imported-begin##Judi Connors & Eric Waite##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jen, Our deepest condolences during these difficult times. May our compassionate Lord stand with you and bless you with strength and forbearance. Our prayers are with you and your family. Sal & Jacque Formica Eldersburg, MD##imported-begin##Sal & Jacque Formica##imported-end##

March 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Wayne's Family & Friends, My sincerest condolences for your loss. I never had the privilege of meeting Wayne, but from knowing his daughter Jen so well and meeting Karey & Kim, I know he was a wonderful man. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Dean, Amanda & Savannah Peery##imported-begin##Amanda Peery##imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey All, From what was written, it sounds like he had a peaceful and easy passing. That is great. I was praying for that. I will continue to pray for the repose of his soul and for all of his family. God bless you all. Evans Formica###imported-begin###Evans Formica###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Don & Jen, Sorry to hear about your loss. I know it's a hard time for you and your family. I feel your pain and keep you all in my prayers. Tom D.###imported-begin###Tom Deguinion###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jen and Family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I do have memories of your Dad from way back when, and I vividly remember how much he loved you and always wanted to do anything for you. Know that he's at peace now and will forever be by your side. I wish for you fond memories that will continue on...Love, Trish###imported-begin###Trish Wilski Aday###imported-end##

March 23, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Wayne, 27 years, 3 children, and an endearing friendship...many may never understand, but we did...rest in the peace you so deserve...even though I know you will be running around up there, hopefully playing golf, not grooming the course. Your life lives on in your children and grandchildren..I will take care of your loved ones..til we meet on that cloud Wayne...Love, Debbie###imported-begin###Deb###imported-end##

March 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Karey, Jen and Kim, We were so sorry to read about your Dad. He was a great guy! Please, know, you are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless! Sandy and Russ Miller mike and Jason's mom and dad##imported-begin##sandy and russ miller##imported-end##

March 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Z, Coaching baseball, and working with with you was about as much fun as anyone should be allowed to have. Your stories where are classic. I have great memories... Thank you. Z's family, I am saddened to hear this news. I can only say if your memories of Wayne are as fun, and fond as mine, he will always be with you. To Z's daughters, your dad loved you and always spoke of how I would loving being a dad too! He was right. I hope I am half the man he was. He was a great mentor. Z, I know what your up to today, a ball game, a beer, and hotdog, with a late afternoon round of golf scheduled.##imported-begin##Chuck Nagel##imported-end##

March 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Zawtocky family, I had the good fortune with working Wayne at the Saratoga Airport. He was a good man and he will be missed. My condolences.##imported-begin##Vern St Amour##imported-end##

March 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Allen, Carol and the Zawtocky family, I am sorrow to have learned and read about Wayne's passing in the newspaper obit. Herkimer south side and our high school years; we have had great times that those memories will long be remembered. My deepest sympathy to the families. Wayne, you rest in peace next to the Lord. Joe and Lina###imported-begin###Joe Faga###imported-end##

March 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad, I love you so much and miss you everyday. I will always hold the memories that we shared the past 30 years. I know that you will always be next to me in whatever path I choose in life. I love you and I know one day we will be reunited. Your daughter Kimberly###imported-begin###Kimberly Zawtocky###imported-end##

March 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ My Dearest Dad, As I often said, words will never explain the love I have for you. I'm the person I am because of you. I feel stronger knowing you're blood flows through me and my child. Rest in peace daddy---###imported-begin###Your daughter Karey###imported-end##

March 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Grandpa, I will miss you. Now you can hold me on your lap and run with me. I know you are always with me. I love you grandpa to infinity and beyond!!###imported-begin###Your grandson Evan###imported-end##

March 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ KAREY- WORDS CANNOT EXPLAIN HOW SORRY I AM ABOUT YOUR FATHER. AS YOU KNOW IT HAS BEEN ABOUT FIVE YEARS SINCE I LAST SAW HIM, BUT I REMEMBER THE LAST TIME I DID SEE HIM, HE BROUGHT ME A CARD AND A BOX OF CHOCOLATES TO CONGRATULATE ME ON THE BIRTH OF KAYLA. AND DIFFERENT TIMES HE WOULD BRING THE OFFICE STAFF OVER CHIPS AND SODA BECAUSE HE FELT BAD WE WERE INSIDE WORKING ON A BAUTIFUL SUMMER DAY. HE TRULY WAS THE FIRST FRIEND I MADE WHEN I MOVED TO THIS AREA AND I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER WHAT A NICE PERSON HE WAS. I STILL REMEMBER THE DAY HE BECAME A GRAMPA FOR THE FIRST TIME. HE WAS SO PROUD. I WILL ALWAYS BE HERE FOR YOU, EVEN IF YOU JUST NEED TO TALK.YOU ARE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS EVERY DAY. MAY GOD BLESS. KRISSIE###imported-begin###KRISSIE YACANO###imported-end##

March 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Karey,Jennifer,Kimberly, We send our love to you all. Your dad was so proud of you all and loved being a grandpa. He will always be with you in your hearts and ours too.###imported-begin###Bill and Judy Prehn###imported-end##

March 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Trish, Mabel & Matt & Family, Karey, Jennifer & Kim -We are so sorry! Wayne was a good friend for many years, and we shared many good times together. We have so many memories! You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Much love and condolences-The Poznoski Family###imported-begin###Bev & Ray Poznoski###imported-end##

March 19, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ NULL##imported-begin##MR. AND MRS. EUGENE AND MARY ANN CARTER##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Sending my love and condolences from all of the Russo family.##imported-begin##Dominick Russo##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ NULL##imported-begin##MR. AND MRS. STEPHEN AND LINDA CARTER AND GIRLS ASHLEY AND KYNDRA##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ NULL##imported-begin##MR. AND MRS. SCOTT AND KELLY CARTER##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Karey, My heart and prayers go out to you and your family during these difficult times Love Kevin##imported-begin##Kevin Waldron##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Wayne was a very special person who will be missed dearly. My sincere condolences to the entire Zawtocky family.##imported-begin##John Wantuch, Jr.##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Wayne. He was a delightful man. Paula Jacobs from Coastal Urology##imported-begin##Paula Jacobs##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Karey, I am thinking about you and your family at this very difficult time. Take care and I'll see you soon... Deb##imported-begin##Deborah McCarthy##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss, Ralph & Lydia Savage##imported-begin##Ralph Savage##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Allen & Carol and family - We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our prayers and thoughts at this time. Harry & Barb Blauvelt Jernigan##imported-begin##Barb & Harry Jernigan##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our very deepest sympathy on the loss of your son, Wayne. Our hearts go out to you. God Bless All of You!##imported-begin##Carl & Dolores Vivacqua##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ With sympathy to the entire family. To Waynes Mom and Dad, brother Allen and sister Sharon and respective family members. Wayne and I attended Herkimer high together and graduated in 1962. I use to live on 2nd Ave and recall fond memories while in high school. May God bless you all.##imported-begin##Phil Pulaski##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. and Mrs. Zawtock: You are in my thoughts and prayers. Seems like yesterday when I remember seeing Alan and Sharon walking the halls of Herkimer High. Were here for you if you should need anything. Harry Enea and the Enea Family##imported-begin##The Enea Family##imported-end##

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ We were truly saddened to read about Wayne's passing in the newspaper. Our heart-felt condolences are extended to your entire family. We know Wayne from World Tour and have kept abreast of his health status through Joel, Andy, and Harry. We would tease him and his cohorts about their golf game as they were signing in at the Clubhouse within minutes of finishing a hard day of work on the golf course. He will be missed. Each night at dinner we have prayed for his recovery but regretfully it was not to be. We pray that as time passes, the void that you folks now feel will be replaced with pleasant memories. Again, our deepest sympathy to you all. Jean Bouton Don Brady###imported-begin###Jean Bouton/Don Brady###imported-end###

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Zawtockki family and friends; We are so sorry for your loss. We did not know Wayne but have heard many wonderful things from our friend, and his daughter, Jennifer Salmi. Jen paints a picture of a man who loved his family and the special people in his life. Our hearts and prayers go out to all in your time of sorrow. God holds those who are grieving in the palm of his hands. May you find comfort in his love. With deepest sympathy,
David, MaryLen, Brandon, and Madison Williams Temecula,
Ca###imported-begin###MaryLen Williams###imported-end###

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry for the loss of your husband, son, brother, father, grandfather and friend. Wayne Zawtockki was a great and fun loving man and he will be greatly missed. Love, Megan, Mike, Nelan and Pacia###imported-begin###Megan Sanchez###imported-end###

March 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM