



Timothy Eugene Knox

April 17, 2019

TIMOTHY EUGENE KNOX Born October 19, 1959 in Loudon, TN. Tim passed away at the age of 59 at home April 17, 2019. Tim was formerly a member of City View Baptist Church and Rocky Hill Baptist Church. Tim graduated in 1978 from Loudon County High School and was certified as a machinist/welder from Athens Area Vocational Center. Tim worked at Maremont Corp in Loudon, TN until marrying in 1982 and moving to Knoxville. Tim began a career at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville as an Exterminator for Pest Control Services and later as a Mail Services Clerk. On April 4, 2005, Tim was diagnosed with anaplastic astrocytoma, a terminal brain cancer and he was given a prognosis of 9 months to live. Due to his cancer diagnosis, Tim medically retired from UTK. Those of you who knew Tim, knew he was determined and a fighter with a strong will to survive that stretched his prognosis to 14 years. Tim loved the Lord with all his heart and when family and friends failed him, he relied on his faith to get him through the dark times. Tim was very athletic and loved a good challenge – but his love of tennis was his favorite sport of all. Tyson Park and the Dunn family became his second home and second family! He loved scuba diving, golf, bicycling, kayaking with a kayak he won from a local sports store, soccer, racquetball, volleyball and any other sport he could get involved with or was challenged to play. He had a smile that was infectious and a laugh that could brighten any day. Even in his sickest moments, he would tell you he felt good. He would give you the shirt off his back and help you in any way possible. The cancer robbed him of his physical abilities to compete, but he loved watching anything related to the Tennessee Volunteers; especially the Lady Vols basketball team. Tim's most prized possession was his son, Zachary. Zach was his miracle child and he loved him with all the love a father could possibly have for a child. His grandchildren brought a whole new level of love to his heart and life. Tim's favorite Bible verse: Isaiah 40:31 - "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Tim was preceded in death by his grandparents, Walter and Berta Lee Knox; father, Robert Gene "Rooster" Knox; father and mother-in-law, James and Kay Phillips; uncle, Bill Knox; cousin, Joe "Mike" Knox; nephew, Matthew Allen Jackson. Survived by: son, Zachary Phillip Knox; granddaughter, Dahlia Alora Birdsall-Knox; grandson, Zayne Phillip Knox; special daughters, Hannah Mcmillan, Natalie

Birdsall; mother, Dorothy Mincey Knox; brother, Tony Zachary Knox; sister, Janet and husband Carvin Smudrick; sister, Debbie and husband Louis Coley; sister and brother-in-law, Diana and Chuck Jackson; sister and brother-in-law, Teresa and Wayne Jordan; brother and sister-in-law, James and Karen Phillips; brother and sister-in-law Ronnie and Sayuri Phillips; nieces, Nancy Dillman, Cheyenne Jordan; nephews, John Smudrick, David Smudrick, DJ Phillips, Taro Phillips, Kota Phillips; former wife and best friend, Nancy Knox; dear friends Jimmy and Jane Walker, Allen Knight and Chris Howard. In following Tim's wishes, he was cremated and asked us to celebrate his life; not to mourn his passing. The Celebration will be Thursday, April 25th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue, Knoxville, TN. Brother Gene Hurley will officiate. Online obituary maybe viewed at www.rosemortuary.com

Events

OCT **Celebration of Life** 06:30PM
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City View Baptist Church
2311 Fine Avenue, Knoxville, TN, US

Comments



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Timothy Eugene Knox.



April 24, 2019 at 01:59 PM



“ Jeanne Brunell sent a virtual gift in memory of Timothy Eugene Knox



Jeanne Brunell - April 24, 2019 at 01:42 PM



“ Jeanne Brunell lit a candle in memory of Timothy Eugene Knox



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“ Although I never personally met Tim, his dear brother Tony is one of my family's best friends; Tony is like part of our family to us. He has shared a number of memories of Tim, and we have learned a lot about him through Tony. He was a remarkable man, and I am confident that he is in the presence of Jesus right now! I will always think of his incredible strength in battling cancer, and his powerful ambition to stop injustice and defend the weak. I will meet him in Heaven one day, where he won't be sick or dying or shedding tears, or having to concern himself about any kind of evil. He is in endless joy, and he has probably discovered a whole lot of heavenly sports that he

can play with ease. Tony, thank you for sharing so much about this wonderful man, your brother Tim.



Jeanne Brunell - April 24, 2019 at 01:41 PM



“ Tim Knox Family,

So sorry for the loss of our special friend Tim. We first met him when he came to Tyson to play in the tennis leagues. He soon became our friend. He would often come to the office to just sit and talk. Usually his conversation would be about something he and Zack (a son who he adored) had done throughout the years. I remember one day we started talking about what heaven would be like. He said "doesn't it make you feel good all over to know we will be there one day." I'm sure when heaven's gates opened for Tim there was a lot of rejoicing. What a blessing he has no more pain and we will get to see his smiling face again. We have lost our dear friend only for awhile, but soon to see him again. Tim will always hold a special place in the hearts of all the Dunn's. WE LOVED TIM!!

Dunn Family - April 24, 2019 at 01:41 PM



“ What a beautiful tribute!

Jeanne Brunell - April 24, 2019 at 01:46 PM