



Mark Richard Brown

February 5, 1969 - April 11, 2021

Mark Richard Brown, 52 years old of Gilbert Arizona, passed away on April 11, 2021 with his wife of 22 years, Jennifer, and children, Jonathan and Elizabeth, by his side. Mark was born in Hamburg, New York to parents Richard and Cenzia Brown. He graduated from Emmaus High School in Emmaus Pennsylvania and the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. Mark's 26 year career in electronic chemicals moved him to Arizona in 2017. He was the Plant Manager at EMD Electronics, Tempe Arizona; formally Versum Materials, Tempe Arizona; formally Air Products and Chemicals, Trexlertown Pennsylvania; formally Ashland Chemical, Easton Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his parents, Dick and Cenzia of Emmaus, PA; brother Greg and sister-in-law Katherine of Macungie, PA; sister Laura and brother-in-law Louis Evangelista of Collingswood, NJ; father-in-law and mother-in-law Tom and Marie Jordan of Bethlehem, PA; sister-in-law Karen Sobrinski of Bethlehem, PA; and, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Michael and Jennelle Jordan of Clermont, FL. Mark was a loving Uncle to: Mason and Holden Brown; Lacey, Dylan, Emmah, and Rocco Evangelista; Christopher, Kelly, Erik and Leo Sobrinski; and Evelyn Jordan.

Mark enjoyed sports, the outdoors, and volunteering with youth athletics. Over the years, he was a swim instructor; soccer, baseball, and softball coach. He served as the President of the Laurys Athletic Association in Laurys Station Pennsylvania; and, Vice President of Highland High School Baseball Boosters in Gilbert Arizona. His presence will be dearly missed on the sidelines throughout the Valley's baseball and softball complexes.

A Memorial Service to honor Mark's Life will be Friday May 7, 2021 beginning at 6pm at Meldrum Mortuary, 52 North MacDonald Mesa, AZ 85201.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mark Richard Brown.*



May 06, 2021 at 10:45 AM

RV

“ *I was so saddened to hear about Mark's passing. I first met Mark in Allentown and the. In Tempe. Mark and I spent many enjoyable hours talking about work and family. Mark had an infectious smile and was a great friend. Mark always had a story to tell about his family, he was very proud of his wife and kids, I will always remember that about him.*

Raymond Vrtis - May 05, 2021 at 12:26 AM

SF

“ *Southland Cornerstone Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Mark Richard Brown.*



Southland Cornerstone Family - May 04, 2021 at 12:15 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mark Richard Brown.*



May 03, 2021 at 11:22 PM

KM

“ To Mark's Family,

Mark was one of my first managers at Versum when I started working in the pilot plant. Having family from the east coast, I understood and enjoyed his humor so we got along very well. The pilot plant was always busy and, as a younger employee trying to prove himself and make a little extra money, I would take every opportunity for overtime he would present me with. Even knowing I would say yes to overtime, Mark would take extra steps to make sure that I didn't feel pressured into doing it; that was just the kind of man Mark was.

Even when we both started to pursue new roles in the company we remained close and I would often go to him for advice when I wasn't sure how to handle things or just to laugh about one of my poorly worded e-mails or math mistakes. I knew if I ever did anything wrong, Mark would have a snarky remark about it, which encouraged me to avoid making mistakes, but also helped me recover from mistakes by knowing I'd have a good laugh about it with him.

Mark was my mentor and my friend and I will miss his guidance, but I will never forget the lessons he taught me or the influence he had in my life. I know there is no greater pain than losing a loved one, and my heart goes out to each of you.

Kyle Mouallem

Kyle Mouallem - April 30, 2021 at 03:42 PM

KM

“ Kyle Mouallem purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mark Richard Brown.



Kyle Mouallem - April 30, 2021 at 03:04 PM

HO

“ Dear Family of Mark

My heart sank when I heard of the passing of Mark. I send my deepest condolences and sympathies for your loss. He was such a kind and nice co-worker and I was fortunate to have the opportunity working with Mark. A coworker who always open to share knowledge, high dedication and always tries to help the team. A kind- hearted person who goes out of his way to help and support others! He will always be missed. Take care.

Hui Peng

Hui Peng Ooi - April 23, 2021 at 10:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mark Richard Brown.



April 20, 2021 at 02:24 PM

AW

“ I have known Mark since we worked at Ashland back to Easton. We worked together for lots of SP&C formulation scale up and product launch. From Easton to Allentown, then to Tempe, from Chupei Taiwan to Pyeongtaek Korea, Mark has dedicated his life to SP&C. We worked together on couple tough projects. What I remembered most were his confident and smile.

I have attached one photo together with Mark and colleagues from Pyeongtaek plant, Chupei lab. We celebrated successful launch of ACT product. Mark's work enthusiasm and positive attitude influenced many people. We will all miss Mark!

Aiping Wu



Aiping Wu - April 20, 2021 at 02:08 PM

LM

“ Dear Family of Mark,

My most sincere condolences go out to you. I had the pleasure of working with Mark for the past 10+ years through Air Products, Versum and now Merck. Mark was one of the go-to people in our organization, someone that you trusted to do things exceptionally well, highlight issues and drive to a resolution. He did this all with a laugh and smile on his face and always with the best of intent for our customers and the plant. It was always my hope that we would be able to recruit Mark to Tempe from Allentown and when he agreed, I was ecstatic because I knew he would contribute in so many areas. So much can be said but I can tell you that Mark leaves a huge hole in our Tempe site. He was larger than life and always such a great team member. We will all miss him.

*Sincerely,
Laura Matz*

Laura Matz - April 20, 2021 at 09:28 AM

JH

“ *I have known Mark since the Ashland acquisition by Air Products back in 2003. Our teams worked together in Easton, Trexlertown and Tempe. Mark even reported to me directly for a period of time while he was in Tempe. Mark had such an outgoing personality and made a positive impact on all his fellow workers. He always wanted to better himself and everyone around him. An interesting thing about Mark is that if you had time for a story, Mark had time to tell one. The one constant with Mark was that any time you saw him, he would immediately bring a smile to your face. I know that the next time that I visit Tempe, I will be turning a corner and looking for Mark. He was a very special person and he will be missed by many. I can't imagine the grief that you are experiencing, but I hope that words of the people that worked with Mark over the years bring you some solace.*
Jim Hart

Jim Hart - April 19, 2021 at 09:36 PM

RM

“ Mark arrived at work with a smile and a positive can-do energy. He showed a grace that made him very easy to work with on all manner of projects. He put others ahead of himself so many times. It was a joy to work with him and discuss family, technology, recent events, sports and our ideas.

We, his work colleagues, all know how much he loved his family. Often, he spoke of his children and beamed when he shared their latest sports endeavor. There are no words of solace that can heal a heart wounded by his loss. Speaking his stories will lend a smile, and imagining how he would face a challenge will help sustain and guide you. When your heart pain robs your very breath, do not be afraid, reach out.

Ray Machado

Reinaldo Machado - April 19, 2021 at 09:36 PM

DA

“ Mark and I worked on projects together over the years. He was always very helpful and cheerful. His sunny disposition will always be remembered. It is sad and he will be truly missed. May you be blessed with the strength and spirit to bear his loss.

Derin Adebekun - April 19, 2021 at 04:04 PM

MS

“ Dear Jenn and Family,
I am so sorry to hear about Mark's passing! I have only been with Air Products a short time, but I was lucky enough to meet and get to know Mark at least a little. You could tell that Mark was very smart and very good at the things he did but the best thing about Mark was that when I would see him, he always had a great smile and would talk to you and joke around a bit. He always brightened the day. He had a noticeably happy presence about him. It is hard to believe that we will no longer have that presence with us anymore. The world truly needs more people like Mark – he left us too soon. I hope that the memories of Mark bring comfort to you and your family. God Speed Mark!

Mike Savo - April 19, 2021 at 03:58 PM

RA

“ Mark and i worked on many projects together. We wrote patents together. I am truly at a loss. May you have the forbearance to move forward in life journey.

As a poet said, life's journey is longer than life, there will be joy, there will be sorrow. BUT journey continues

Rajiv agarwal - April 19, 2021 at 03:10 PM

DS

“ Dear Jenn and family,

As a co-worker with Mark I can say there is nothing but fond memories of him and the conversations that we had together. Mark sat 2 offices over from me both in T-town and in Tempe. I came back to Pa 3 years ago but I can still remember our conversations with him about our sons baseball. I know he love talking about baseball and his kids with me.

He will be deeply missed and I am disappointed that I didn't get to talk to him since I came back to Pa. Sorry for your loss and may his memories stay lasting in your hearts. I know mine will.

Dino Sinatore

Dino Sinatore - April 19, 2021 at 02:35 PM



“ We are deeply saddened over the loss of mark. He was a great friend and neighbor . We could always rely on him whenever we needed help. Mark loved his family , working in the yard (he didn't care much for skunk cabbage) and spending time to get to know All the neighbors .jim and I appreciated his thoughtfulness towards our children and pets . Jen , Jon and Elizabeth have our heartfelt sympathy . Mark will always remain in our hearts . The Boyles.

Darlene Boyle - April 18, 2021 at 11:14 PM

MI

“ Words cannot describe how deeply saddened we all are to hear about Mark. He will truly be missed. We always enjoyed seeing him and the family in our office. He was a great guy and always made us laugh! Even came to visit us once on a trip back to PA. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.
-Michele, Mike, Karen, Connie, Carol, Kristin, Emily and the rest of the staff @ Advanced Dental Concepts.

michele - April 18, 2021 at 06:43 AM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mark Richard Brown.



April 17, 2021 at 10:52 PM