



George Lawrence Ryan

December 15, 1969 - August 25, 2021

George L, Ryan, 51, beloved husband for 10 years to Karyn Ryan (nee Kuznieski). Devoted father to Payton and Colton. Cherished son of Patrick J. Sr. and Katherine (nee Cote) Ryan. Much loved brother of Patrick J. (Kim) Ryan Jr. and proceeded in death by his sister Katherine M. Ryan. Fun “Uncle Jungle” to Katie (Dominic) Lange, Patrick J. III, Sgt. Michael (Rachel) and John Ryan. Great Uncle to Caleb Ryan. Treasured Son-in-law to Walter and Margaret (nee Meek) Kuznieski; Loving nephew, brother-in-law and friend.

George was a graduate of Immaculate Conception High School (class of 88), Michigan State University (Class of 92) and received his Masters from Northern Illinois University. George was an avid sports fanatic who loved the outdoors (fishing, boating, camping, and hunting), cheering on his MSU Spartans, Blackhawks, Bears and White Sox. George was a very proud father and his sons’ biggest fan who enjoyed coaching their sports. There isn’t much he enjoyed more than family time with his wife Karyn and his two sons. George was a Senior Director of Finance (Operations Controller) but his true passion was cooking, you could always count on him to turnout some amazing food.

George truly lived life to the fullest, loved with all his heart and never really met a stranger. George was like a dad if you needed a dad. A best friend if you needed a best friend. A brother if you needed a brother. Nothing was ever about him, always putting those he loved and cared about first. He was always up for a good time and most often the life of the party. George had the most amazing smile that made you just want to smile back. George was truly loved by all who knew him and will forever be loved and missed.

A funeral service will be held at 9:30 a.m., Friday, September 17, 2021 at Immaculate Conception Church, 134 Arthur St, Elmhurst, IL 60126

Followed by, An "Open House/Come and Go" Celebration of Life from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Friday, September 17, 2021 at Gatto's Restaurant, 8005 183rd St, Tinley Park, IL 60487

Please stop by to have a drink and share your favorite story about George. Please wear your MSU/Hawks/White Sox/Stallion/Bears gear.

For our Friends in Texas, we will arrange a celebration of life at a later date.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Renee lit a candle Karyn, our hearts are so saddened that this happened please accept our thoughts, prayers and love to you, the boys and George’s family. May the wonderful memories with George help ease your pain during this difficult time and give you strength. Our deepest condolences we love you so much. Kevin and Renee*



Renee - September 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Diane Frank lit a candle I've known George since freshman year in high school and we've been friends ever since. George would always be there for anyone, drop what he was doing, and be there with a smile on his face. He's always happy, thereby making others happy. I remember parties (or small gatherings, Mr and Mrs Ryan) in George's basement in high school. College, too. The Outfield ALWAYS reminds me of him...any song. So does a particular REM song where he knew all the words and always sang it. All the boys at George's house singing (quite loudly) Solsbury Hill by Peter Gabriel. As I recall, they'd all gather together, put their arms around each other's necks, standing side by side, and sing it at the top of their voices. I always wanted to join in because I loved that song, too, but it was the "Boys" thing. Flaming shots of Sambuca. Spring Break. His annual Halloween Parties in Winfield. Texting during MSU playoff games, most recently this past March Madness when UCLA knocked MSU out of the tournament. And always being a great, thoughtful friend that you could always count on no matter what!! Karyn and his (their) two beautiful sons made him so happy!! I can't quite comprehend this. George will be dearly, dearly missed. My heart and my prayers go out to Mr and Mrs Ryan, Pat, Karyn, Payton, Colton, Karyn's parents, his niece and nephews...and even Bristol and Waylon! He always loved his doggies. May God Bless All of You...and George (and Kathy) in Heaven. Love Always, Dee*



Diane Frank - September 04, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ *John Diana Zmuda lit a candle Dearest Karen and son's, please accept our deepest sympathy, May God grant you all strength and peace of mind during this difficult time. Love Diana and John Zmuda*



John Diana Zmuda - September 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM