

Duane '(Dewey)' Markus



Markus, Duane (Dewey) age 73, of Wayzata, passed peacefully at his home on July 2, 2015. During his lifetime, Duane was a teacher and a college and professional athlete. He was the captain of U of M National Champion baseball team in 1964 and went on to play for the Chicago Cubs. He was the head referee for the WCHA, a stockbroker and trader, a corporate CEO, an avid hunter and a generous friend. Dewey lived life on his own terms. His positive attitude and non-stop drive were an inspiration to everyone who had the opportunity to know him. He is survived by his wife Ann; sons Chad (Carolyn), Andy (Deb) and Jeffrey (Darcy); and grandsons Brody and Harrison, all of whom he was fiercely proud. A Celebration of Life is being planned. Please email DeweyRemembered@hotmail.com to receive future notification.

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I only just heard.

Mr. Markus. The best hockey coach Richfield ever had. He drilled those goalies to death! Results? Future All-American/Oakland Seals draftee Chuck Scanlon, Greg Myrhe, Dean Knutson among others. At the hockey camps or at the outdoor rinks, Mr Markus offered a rare commodity ...encouragement. No matter what skill level you were at, all you had to do was give your all.

Condolences to the Markus family.

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Alan and Elvia

Ann,

Our deepest sympathies to you and to your family. In the short time that we knew you, we grew very fond of Duane. We realized he was very honest, genuine, humble, and hard working. We really look up to the two of you and

the relationship we saw between you was a true inspiration. We are saddened by this news and our prayers go out to you. If you need anything at all please let us know.

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Larry Gallagher

He played on that 1964 team with a good friend of mine, Ron Wojciak, their catcher. Ron died in 1966 from lung cancer. I remember Dewey from Ron's funeral and also watching him play when I was able to attend some of their games. That was an excellent team of wonderful athletes, players and men. May God Bless all of them.

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Patricia Packard Anderson

Ann, i am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.

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Karen and Tim Burdick

Duane had so much life even when he wasn't feeling well. He would fly up to our shed for a visit or to look at the new filly, always ending the visit saying that it was really wonderful that we could work hard doing something that we loved...that we were all lucky to be able to do that. We will miss Duane out here on the prairie in western Minnesota. He was good to his neighbors and provided jobs for the kids in the local area. We planted flowers in the horse planter that he made and gave us... [» more](#)

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Jennifer and Scott Brigham

Dewey was a one of a kind with a heart of gold, I got the opportunity to get to know him and all his crazy stories . . . he loved his family with a fierceness and life with all it had to throw his way. We will miss him, so glad we had the good fortune to become friends. Our thoughts are with all of you.

Scott and Jennifer Brigham

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Gayle Wilson

Ann and Boy's,

You are in our hearts and prayers. Since hearing off his passing we have talked to so many people in the community and the common theme is how you always knew where you stood with him. He was an honest, forthright, loving man, that would have given his shirt off his back for anyone that

needed it. You boys are blessed to have such a man as a remodel. He leaves a legacy of three great men, so Ann will always have a little piece of her love forever. Love you all and giving hugs... [» more](#)

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Bob Stein

Very sorry to hear of Dewey's passing. He was a great athlete and individual.

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Paul Forsberg

My heart and prayers are with the Markus family during this most difficult time.

Mr. Markus as we always addressed our coach, teacher and motivator was truly a gift from God.

Mr. Markus was wrapping up a 9th grade health class dressed like a GQ model decked out with a sharp colorful sport coat with polished wing tip shoes.....!! He was the cats meow...!

He frequently would grab his strong thighs and say out of the blue..? "You guys think you're the Nuts"... I have question for you, "baby female... [» more](#)

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Ron Buhrt

I meet Dewey when were on the Freshman baseball team together. We playing together for 2 years on the U of Minnesota team and on the TCF State Championship team. I am so sorry for your loss. Dewey was a great guy and a good friend. Anyone who knew him will remember him forever. RIP Dewey.

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