



David Ahles

November 30, 1953 - December 26, 2010

Service: Memorial Mass will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Francis Catholic Church, 861 Wildwood St., Grapevine, Father Anh Tran, celebrant.

A Time of Remembrance: A memorial service in his honor will be at 9 a.m. Thursday at Lucas Grapevine Funeral Home Chapel, 700 W. Wall St.

David's life was shaped by his dedication to his family, his work, and his great determination to help people. He was born Nov. 30, 1953, in Grosse Pointe, Mich., to Eldon and Mary Ahles, one of four children, and lived in the Detroit, Mich., area for 48 years. As a young man, he fell in love with airplanes, sailboats and golf. He earned a B.S. degree from Eastern Michigan University (1975) and a J.D. at University of Detroit Mercy School of Law (1981). He discovered his true passion, human resources, and combined it with his interest in aviation, serving as vice president of HR at American International Airways and Kitty Hawk, Inc. In 1991 he married Lori and accepted her three sons into his life and treated them as his own. In 2002 he accepted the position of executive administrator at Allied Pilots Association and moved to Flower Mound. He spoke highly of his "Texas years" and enjoyed being outdoors, golfing, doing yard work, visiting with friends and family on the patio and reading books about HR and executive coaching, a field in which he became deeply engrossed. The latter inspired him to enroll in coaching classes at UTD, a course he pursued even after being hospitalized. To use an adjective David often used, he live a "beauty" life. He is remembered for his positive approach to life, passionate commitment to work

and his family, personal touch, ability to ignite passion in others and his distinct sense of humor - all pieces of the legacy left behind. Survivors: He is survived by his mother, Mary Ahles; his wife, Lori Ahles; his son, James Jenner; his son, William Jenner and wife, Trudi; grandson, Trayton; his son, John Jenner; his brother, Fred Ahels and wife, Cathy; niece, Emily; his brother, Tim Ahles; niece, Bailey; his sister, Amy Newman and husband, Lacy; nieces, Lauren and Alise; his many dear friends and colleagues; and his favorite dog, Oliver.

Tribute Wall

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“ Growing up in Michigan, our family was close friends with the Ahles's. We had many a picnic at their house, and I especially appreciated Dave's demeanor and hospitality - he was truly his father's son. He will truly be missed.

To his wife and children; his mother Mary; his siblings Fred, Tim, and Amy; as well as all of his friends, I wish to express my heartfelt condolences on behalf of the children of "Dr. Ted."

Paul Momcilovich

Paul Momcilovich - January 08, 2011 at 03:47 PM

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“ I'll miss you David. I still remember that great summer canoe trip with you, me, 'Charlow' and my Dad.

Take care my Friend.

John Thompson - January 08, 2011 at 08:11 AM

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“ David was as kind and friendly as he looks in this great picture. We are all better for having known him.

Peggy Dobson - December 28, 2010 at 11:27 PM

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“ David our dear cousin who was a tremendous example of all that is good and kind will be missed but never forgotten as we try to be a little more like Dave in all we do

Chris and Polly fisher - December 28, 2010 at 09:38 PM