



# Mark Andrew Gaertner

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**M**ark Andrew Gaertner went full-speed ahead in life; a loving husband and family man, entrepreneur, dreamer, gentleman and a scholar, he always put others first and was the last to leave the party. Mark brought family together. His joy and enthusiasm for life was seen in everything he did. From his dedication to his career, pursuit of a Business Management PhD at UMUC, to his goals to teach intrapreneurship as an adjunct professor, he was the most hard-working father. He adored the love of his life, Sharon, and was the most wonderful father to his daughters Jennifer and Elise. Mark truly lived a full and beautiful life, and will be deeply missed by everyone.

“Always live life to the fullest.”

A visitation will be held at Lasting Tribute on Thursday April 13th 2017 from 5-7 pm, with a service to follow beginning at 7 pm.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society at <http://www.nationalmssociety.org/Donate> and/or American Heart Association at <https://donatenow.heart.org>



# Events

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## Visitation

 **Thursday**, April 13, 2017


 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

 **Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care**  
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401



## Service

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 7:00 PM ET

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## Tribute Wall

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**Anna** posted:

Hello Elise, We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your Father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Anna and the W Fort Lauderdale Team.

April 14 at 4:42 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Joyful Memory to the Gaertner family.

April 13 at 8:58 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Small Garden Dish to the Gaertner family.

April 13 at 7:58 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gaertner family.

April 13 at 6:08 AM



**Tom Slavin** posted:

I was saddened to learn of Mark's unexpected passing. I worked a number of years for him in a support role. I always found Mark easy to work for: open-minded, professional, and appreciative. I extend my condolences to his family, who I'm sure will miss him very much. Tom Slavin

April 13 at 5:18 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Gaertner family.

April 12 at 7:02 PM





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CB

**Cindy Bruce** posted:

Sharon, I am extremely sorry to hear of Mark's passing. I will keep you and the girls in my thoughts and prayers.Cindy Fischer Bruce

April 12 at 1:32 PM

JK

**Jim. Kalb** posted:

So sorry to hear about Mark's passing. I worked with Mark years ago on the B-1 Program. I enjoyed those days. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.Jim. Kalb

April 12 at 12:56 PM

TR

**Tom Rorick** posted:

Sharon, Marilyn and I were both very sorry to hear of Mark's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Tom Rorick

April 12 at 10:02 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gaertner family.

April 12 at 6:19 AM



OF

**Operative Services Family** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gaertner family.

April 12 at 5:06 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Love's Journey to the Gaertner family.

April 11 at 4:55 PM





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MP

**Mike Price** posted:

I only have warm, happy memories of Uncle Mark. He was always someone I could look up to because of his ever present hard work ethic and kind disposition. He was taken far too soon, but these amazing qualities will live on through Sharon, Jenny, and Elise whom he loved so much. Our deepest condolences.

April 11 at 4:00 PM

KM

**Kathy Manning** posted:

What a great next door neighbor and friend Mark was. I missed Sharon and the family when they moved away to their waterfront home in Severna Park. I remember a fun vacation our family took with the Gaertner family many years ago to the Outer Banks which planted the seed for both families to eventually own a beach home in Nags Head, NC, only a few miles from each other. I have a fond memory of Mark at my daughter, Claire's, birthday party marching around with his daughter, Elise, and the other kids as Barney the dinosaur from the TV show paraded the kids around the backyard with musical instruments singing songs from the show. My condolences go out to his family. Kathy (Addison) Manning

April 11 at 1:02 PM

KM

**Katie Mccrory** posted:

Uncle Mark was like no one else. He was always up for anything, whether it was a fun adventure, helping his family, or pursuing his dreams, and always with the warmest smile on his face. He was accomplished without an ounce of pretentiousness, generous, and kind. He was the type of person who could make anyone feel completely at ease and, at the same time, completely inspired. It's hard to believe that we won't have another day on the boat or talk about the book he was writing, but I will always cherish my memories with him. Aunt Sharon, Jennifer, and Elise -- There is no doubt that you were the loves and light of his life. You could see it in his face whenever you all were around. I am so sorry that he was stolen away so soon, and I offer my deepest condolences and all my love.

April 11 at 1:01 PM

MC

**Michael Gallagher, Colleague At Powerize.Com** sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Gaertner family.



April 11 at 11:43 AM



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**Ed Addison** posted:

I had the privilege of being a friend, a next door neighbor for nearly 10 years, a co-worker both at Westinghouse, and then again together in a start-up company with Mark. It is sad to see him go so young and I am sorry for his family for this tragic loss. Mark was a pleasure to spend time with. He knew no obstacles - to him everything was possible. Even though he followed me as an entrepreneur, I learned a lot from working with him. I last communicated with Mark about 2 years ago...we planned to reconnect. Sad he is gone.-- Ed Addison

April 11 at 9:37 AM



**John Davenport** posted:

I met Mark and his wonderful family during numerous trips to visit the Moebius's family (who were two houses away from the Gaertners') in MD! Mark was a gregarious and fun loving guy and we shared many humorous moments during the neighborhood "pier crawls" and other neighborhood get togethers! Mark had just recently received his PhD and really had the world "by it's tail"! I told him that I envied what he had done and wished him the best of luck. My wife (Regina) and I would like to offer our most sincere condolences to Sharon and her two daughters in the sudden loss of Mark... he will surely be missed by his family and his Shore Road neighbors. Rest in Peace, Mark!Sincerely,John & Regina DavenportWarminster, PA

April 11 at 9:34 AM



**Balfour Beatty Construction - W Hotel** sent a Basket of Memories to the Gaertner family.



April 11 at 8:40 AM



**Jill Fairley** lit a candle in honor of Mark.



April 11 at 8:03 AM



**Scott And Mike, You Cumming Team At The W** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Gaertner family.



April 11 at 7:36 AM



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FF

**First Finish Inc** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gaertner family.

April 11 at 7:18 AM



PK

**Paul K.** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Gaertner family.

April 10 at 4:13 PM



PK

**Paul Kalafos** posted:

Our hearts go out to you and your family. Mark was a great person and an outstanding colleague. Mark was exceptionally intelligent and had more drive and tenacity than most. He will be remembered and missed by all of his co-workers and customers. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, The Kalafos Family

April 10 at 3:22 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mark by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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