



Norman Alan Jackman

June 23, 1955 - December 24, 2017

Jackman, Norman A. age 62 of Elkhorn, NE Survived by wife Miriam; sons Philip (fiancee' Hannah McMeen) of Gretna, Paul (fiancee' Samantha Ballard) of Elkhorn and Patrick of Elkhorn; mother Maxine Jackman of Lincoln; siblings Lynette (Jim) Mau of Cortland, NE, Galen (Cathy) Jackman of Union Hall, VA and Brent (Pam) Jackman of Seward, NE; Gathering with the family on Thursday, January 11, 2018 at Reichmuth Funeral Home from 5 to 7 PM. Memorials to the Nebraska Humane Society; condolences to www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com Reichmuth Funeral Home 21901 W. Maple Rd. 402-289-2222

Cemetery Details

Reichmuth Crematory

21901 West Maple Road
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Tribute Wall



“ *Norman Alan Jackman*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Norm? How do I begin to relate how honored I was to have been able to work with him on a daily basis these past ten years? After having spent 40-50 hours a week with the man, we knew each other like the back of each other's hand, and it's just plain weird that he's not around now to be able to pick his brain, ask a work-related question, ask how his night was, how was your weekend, how do you think the Huskers are going to fare this week? He was about the most intelligent person I've ever known, and yet at the same time he could be the biggest goof-ball in the room. But he was our goof-ball, his sense of humor and quick wit were at times unrivaled, even in these last several months when you could tell he was having a bad day. I'm not sure if his family knew how funny he could be.*

To me he was a co-worker, mentor, travel companion/drinking buddy, big brother and most of all a friend. The kind of friend that leaves an indelible impression on your life. As others have mentioned, he had a way of connecting with people in a very respectful way. I am really going to miss that man.

He was extremely proud of his family and to them I hope you can take some solace from the truthful kind words and memories from myself and others who have shared them with you. Rest in peace big fella...rest in peace.

Kyle Wilhelm - January 11, 2018 at 02:10 PM

HF

“ I offer my deepest sympathy and condolences to the Jackman family. I worked with Norm for more than 20 years with the City of Omaha. Norm was my supervisor for many of those years. Norm was a fair, knowledgeable and helpful person who touched many lives. We will all miss him greatly.

Harald Flatoen - January 11, 2018 at 12:57 PM

DJ

“ My deepest condolences to the Jackman family on Norm’s passing. I first met Norm when he worked for the City of Omaha. Our relationship began as client and consultant, but we soon became friends also. He was a joy to work with on projects because he was technically competent and very professional. The results were successful projects for both the city and the consultant. His excellent capability was also evidenced by his work at Vulcan where he made contributions globally. I also know of Norm’s work for the Nebraska Water Environment Association and the Water Environment Federation where he made contributions at both the State and National level with his service. He will be missed greatly by the wastewater professionals in Nebraska and around the United States.

Dale Jacobson - January 11, 2018 at 11:30 AM

LT

“ So sorry to hear about Norm. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Our memory of Norm is: he was a good man, neighbor, coach, husband, friend, and father. Just what we should all strive to be. We feel blessed and honored to have known him.

Lori and Mike Tritz - January 10, 2018 at 04:27 PM

CB

“ I worked with Norm at the city of Omaha, he was truly my hero! He will be greatly missed. Great man and Mentor.. God bless his family.

Cole Bridges - January 10, 2018 at 02:50 PM

SM

“ To the Jackman family: I pray the love you have for Norm, each other, and the memories you have surround you now to give you solace, peace and strength through this difficult time. I worked under Norm's leadership at the City of Omaha and we continued working together in various aspects when he moved to consulting and then sales at Vulcan. When I saw him at conferences, we would always catch up on our families. He spoke with so much pride and love of you all relaying your accomplishments or silly things that happened he found hilarious. Our last conversation was of the dream motorcycle he bought. He looked like an 8-year old kid in a candy store with the twinkle in his eyes and the huge smile on his face. Norm will be missed and remembered. May he rest in peace.

Sharon Miller - January 10, 2018 at 11:10 AM

AG

“ It has been a long time since the "Arsenal soccer" days, but I don't think I could ever forget Norm's warm and generous personality. He will be missed by so many!
Miriam, Paul, Phil, and Patrick-- I sure have been thinking of you and send so much love to your family during this time.

Ashley Goff - January 09, 2018 at 04:51 PM

JM

“ I met Norm through work, but he became a personal friend in short time. Norm always had an easy manor about him that calmed any situation. He also had the knack for taking me to task in a good-natured way. I always appreciated and will miss Norm's sense of humor and friendship.

Joe Maris - January 02, 2018 at 12:17 PM

CJ

“ There aren't many in any business that are experts in their field, can talk to people and you want them around regularly. Norm was that dude. Norm always seemed to love coming to Tennessee and I enjoyed giving him the tour. We'd spend a day calling on engineers and Norm would be quoting "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" movie quotes in between. He always had me rolling. I am also glad Norm got to see the Cornhuskers hire their new coach. Go Cornhuskers. We all lost a buddy this week.

Chris Jones - December 31, 2017 at 09:47 AM

LS

“ To the Jackman Family and my Vulcan Family â€“ Iâ€™ m so sorry to hear of Normâ€™s passing. I had the pleasure of working with Norm over the past couple years. Norm was one of the first to send me a welcome note when I started with Coombs-Hopkins, and I always appreciated his thoughtfulness. I enjoyed getting to know him and spending some time together. He loved talking about his family, and it was easy to tell how proud he was of his kids' accomplishments. I know many of the Vulcan guys have heard this story, but I have to share again! Norm, Brian and I visited one of my wastewater treatment plants last year. The headworks building had just recently been fumigated to help with a â€œsmall” cochroach infestation. There were hundreds, if not thousands, of 2-inch or larger roaches running wild trying to escape. Brian and I stared at the floor for the entire meeting ensuring that the one leg we were each standing on didnâ€™t have any friendly visitors crawling up. Meanwhile, we left Norm to hold court and talk to the operators about the screen. Talk about dedication! There must have been a half-dozen of them crawling around his body at any given time, and he just kept talking and flicking off the ones that got above waistline! He didnâ€™t miss a beat! It was truly impressive. Of course, Norm and Brian didnâ€™t let me off the hook too easy. They gave me a few fake scares that there was one on my back as we were leaving, and I fell for it every time. They are both lucky that I let them back in my car and didnâ€™t make them walk back to the office! (I did make Norm check all of his pockets before getting in!) I know he will missed by many â€“ not only for the good laughs but also for the wealth of knowledge and mentorship he provided. Thoughts and prayers to his friends and family.

Lisa Snyders - December 30, 2017 at 07:47 PM

TF

“ So very saddened to hear of your family's loss of Norm. We will always have fond memories of him at the many soccer games and after parties. We will keep you all in our prayers as your family heals from this tragic loss. Please rest in the fact that he is with our Lord in His heavenly kingdom watching over you all until it is our time to come to the Lord.

Thayer Family - December 30, 2017 at 12:28 PM

BD

“ Whenever I messed up on a calculation or an assumption, Norm would look at me and say, “Hey Einstein, you should have thought about XYZ”; I loved his big, goofy smile when he busted my chops. Norm was my big brother, and he was an engineering genius to boot. I even started a file documenting Norm’s “words of wisdom”; that swelled to over 100 entries detailing headworks design.

Even more than a brother, Moji said it best when he wrote that Norm was the definition of a man. He taught us how to work hard, play hard, and still have a sense of humor even when the future wasn’t bright. I hope the Jackman family eventually finds peace with Norm’s passing. Unfortunately, it won’t be easy, and it won’t come quickly. We are all in that boat. I have truly enjoyed reading everyone’s entries on this page as it has been extremely therapeutic.

One of Norm’s last Emails said the following:

“I am not giving up and will ride this out to my last breath, with Miriam and our boys.”;

Norm will always be THE man in my mind. God speed,
Norman”;

Brian Dieke - December 29, 2017 at 12:29 PM

BN

“ What a guy! I had so much respect for Norm both personally and professionally. I don't remember ever seeing him without a smile, even in these challenging last years. I will cherish the memories. God speed dear Norm. We are all better for having known you. My deepest condolences and prayers for peaceful healing to the family and loved ones.

Brandy Nussbaum - December 29, 2017 at 07:09 AM

EW

“ My deepest condolences to the Jackman family during this difficult time. Norm touched many lives and he will be greatly missed. He was a true gentleman and I feel honored to have spent some time with him. May God give him peace.

Evan Whipps - December 28, 2017 at 05:00 PM

JN

“ I was so sorry to hear of Norm's passing. Norm was a heck of a guy, and I think the way he worked at Vulcan until the very end says it all about him's true dedication & grit! A real team player. The thoughts and prayers of all of us at Coombs-Hopkins Company are with all of you at this hard time. One quick story... Norm and I were on a sales trip and I was driving with him through LA about 5 years ago when I sped up and over the Hill on I-405 and saw, too late, a parking lot of brake lights and dead stopped cars. I slammed on the brakes too late and unfortunately we were the 2nd car in a 6-car rear-end collision. Fortunately nobody was badly hurt. In the shock of the incident I could not remember whether I had hit the car in front of me first or whether the car behind me had hit me first... an important detail in assigning fault! Norm quickly jumped in with the Cops and made sure they knew that the guy behind me had hit me first, and I have been the beneficiary of better insurance rates ever since! Love you Norm!!

Jeremy Neill - December 28, 2017 at 03:35 PM

BC

“ This has been a tough week after being notified of Norm's passing. But I do smile thinking about Norm's subtle but contagious sense of humor. He always somehow related my age to some issue that had gone wrong or a comparison to something. But he left out the fact that he was 1-1/2 months older. He enjoyed being copied in on the friendly e-mail banter I have with Kyle at Vulcan Industries, mainly due to his spelling and punctuation errors. However, he drew the line when I referred to Kyle as the Nebraskan Illiterate - little did I know he was a Nebraskan and came to Kyle's rescue. I stayed away from that moniker after that!

We all meet people in life that make a huge impression on us. For me, Norm is one of them that won't be forgotten.

Bob Calhoun - December 28, 2017 at 02:31 PM

FD

“ Our condolences to the family of Norm Jackman. He was a man with whom I had the pleasure to travel and to work with in Colombia South America. Norm buddy, we are going to miss you! You were one fine man.

Frank Duran - December 28, 2017 at 02:11 PM

JV

“ All of us here at the Coombs Hopkins Company would like to extend our deepest sympathy on the death of our friend Norm Jackman. Norm was loved by his Vulcan co-workers and colleagues at Coombs Hopkins. Norm always brought great wisdom into every meeting that we attended together. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends. It was a great pleasure to have known Norm. He will be greatly missed.

Jason Vernon - December 28, 2017 at 02:10 PM

SC

“ It is with deepest sympathy and a profound sense of loss that I send my condolences to the Jackman family. I've known Norm for many years and always found his positive energy to be inspiring. He set the bar high and will not be forgotten. God Bless

Steve Crisler - December 28, 2017 at 01:46 PM

JG

“ Sorry to hear of Norm's passing. Norm has been instrumental to the joint success EW2 and Vulcan has had in our Carolinas and Virginia territory over the years. I have always enjoyed Norm for his humor as well. I could always expect a good laugh from our conversations. We will certainly miss him. We will be praying for strength, comfort and healing in this time for his family.

James Grant - December 28, 2017 at 01:38 PM

SR

“ I met Norm when he first started at the City of Omaha, Missouri River Plant. He was in a trailer on site with his boss Elwin Larson who he later replaced. That had to be 40 years ago. Like others have said, my heart breaks in thinking about his passing.

I remember a time in the eighties when we formed a Muffin Monster basketball team for the 4 on 4 (no referee) league at the YMCA. One night in a hotly contested game, an opposing player elbowed me knocking out two teeth. Norm whispered to me "I will take care of this" and he proceeded to body slam the guy and send him packing that night. We then adjourned to the local watering hole and reviewed the game until closing time. The point: Norm took care of his friends.

Norm will be dearly missed by this writer. God Bless Norm Jackman

Steve Roberts - December 28, 2017 at 01:29 PM

BS

“ Norm always had a positive word. Whether it was a business project or his illness, he would always just dig in and keep going forward, seeing the good things and not the bad. Dignity, Gentleman, and Professional are the three descriptions that will always come to my mind when I think of Norm.

Bob Sender - December 28, 2017 at 01:04 PM

RC

“ My prayers go out to the Jackman family. Norm always had a smile on his face and had such a positive outlook, even as he dealt with his illness. May God bless you and your family.

Roger Coffey - December 28, 2017 at 11:40 AM

SM

“ I first met Norm in 7:30am soils & foundation class at UNL (yes the early morning class every engineer hated). Then again when we were both hired by the City of Omaha around the same time. Norm moved up the ranks a lot faster than I, which meant I was lucky to work under his strong leadership. As many have said, he frequently had a smile on his face and treated people fairly. His passing leaves a large hole in my heart and I'm sure even more so with his many friends and family. Norm was a person worth knowing, someone who had a positive impact on your life, and a person we will all greatly miss.

Susan Marino - December 28, 2017 at 11:21 AM

RM

“ Sad to see Norm pass. He was always friendly and personable. The grace which he faced his difficulties speaks well of his character. I'll miss seeing him.

Rick Murch - December 28, 2017 at 09:50 AM

MK

“ I feel honoured that I had the pleasure to work many years with Norm. He was always focused on his work but never forgot that he was dealing with people. He encouraged us with his optimism and had always a smile on his face. Even his health condition did not stop him to come to Chicago this year where I could meet him again. I will never forget exploring Pikes Peak with him. He will be missed by all employees of KUHN GmbH in Germany. Rest in Peace.

Michael Kuhn - December 28, 2017 at 09:27 AM

DL

“ My heart is breaking after learning of Norm's passing. We have been friends for around 40 years through both of our involvement in the wastewater industry. He always had time for others no matter how busy he was. He handled his cancer battle with such grace and courage - we talked about it on several occasions. He knew the longterm prognosis was not good but he was still able to smile and laugh. He will be greatly missed by all those that were lucky enough to know him. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family at this very difficult time. I hope you can find some comfort in the fact that he is no longer in pain.

Debra Leigh - December 27, 2017 at 03:01 PM

MA

“ Merriam-Webster dictionary defines the man "one possessing in high degree the qualities considered distinctive of manhood (such as courage, strength, and vigor)", Norm fit this definition to a T. I remember about two years ago, Norm and I sat together for a quick snake at WEF in New Orleans, he gave me an update on his condition and we both shed some manly tears, we hugged and I promised myself that I will hug him each time I see him, I am so grateful that I got the chance to do it again this year at WEF in Chicago.
He will be missed, my condolences to Jackman Family, and all his colleagues at Vulcan!

Moji Amini - December 27, 2017 at 11:42 AM

SO

“ I had the pleasure of working with Norm through his involvement with Nebraska Environment Association. He touch many lives and will be greatly missed. God bless to you and your family during this difficult time.

Shawn Ovenden - December 27, 2017 at 10:24 AM

CR

“ My deepest condolences to the Jackman family. In the 25 years I knew Norm I rarely saw him without a smile on his face. He touched many lives and was taken from us way too soon. From all of us at Mellen & Associates, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Chris Rockwell - December 27, 2017 at 09:08 AM

KK

“ I'm sorry to hear of Norm's passing. I met Norm over 20 years ago and was blessed to have him as a friend. He was always positive in everything he did. He will be missed greatly. God bless.

Keith Kontor - December 27, 2017 at 08:14 AM

SA

“ I'm sorry to hear of Norm's passing. I had the privilege of working with Norm for the past 12 years through the Nebraska Water Environment Association and other projects in the Omaha area. Norm was a great person, always had a smile on his face, and was willing to help others. He would go out of his way to listen to understand. He was a good friend. I think the greatest thing I will remember was how he fought his battle with grace and faith. May God Bless you and your family during this difficult time.

Scott Aurit - December 27, 2017 at 12:06 AM

TM

“ To the Jackman Family: I am so sorry to hear of Norm's passing. I have known Norm through business for over 25 years and I have to say that I am really going to miss his eternal optimism. I ran into Norm a couple of years ago in Madison WI and he shared his medical status with me and throughout the entire conversation the one word that kept popping into my head was 'Grace'

May the Lord provide you with Peace in this difficult time.

The Electric Pump Family.

Thomas Miller - December 26, 2017 at 05:08 PM

JA

“ Norm was a true professional in an industry that required his talents and expertise. He displayed this through his character and integrity. God speed to you good man!

Joe Augustyn - December 26, 2017 at 04:58 PM

TB

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Norm. Norm touched many and was very connected to water/wastewater/engineering folks alike and will be missed by all as well as Nebraska Water Environment Association.

Todd Boling - December 26, 2017 at 04:38 PM

PH

“ It's a very sad day for all of us at Vulcan Industries, Inc. Norm will be greatly missed.

Pat Hofmeister - December 26, 2017 at 02:37 PM