



Jack Gerard Pennington

June 2, 1961 - March 18, 2016

PENNINGTON, Jack. March 18, 2016. Age 54. Beloved husband of the late Marcia Pennington. Loving father of Kendall. Cherished son of Maryann and the late John "Jack" Pennington. Dear Godfather of Derek. Jack is survived by many loving cousins & friends as well as his faithful Australian Shepherd, Riley. Visitation Monday 4-9pm & Tuesday 1-9pm with a 7pm Vigil Service at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons Inc., 36900 Schoenherr Rd at Metro Parkway (16 Mile). Instate Wednesday 10:30am until time of 11am Mass at SS. John & Paul Catholic Church 7777 W. 28 Mile Rd. (Btw. Campground & Mound). Memorial contributions are appreciated to the family. Interment, Resurrection Cemetery. Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at WujekCalcaterra.com

Tribute Wall

ML

“ Kendall, my name is Mark Lewandowski. I last spoke to your dad 43 years ago. We grew up together in Warren, 6 houses apart. Not best of friends, but friends none the less. Remember playing (hanging out) at his house, remember meeting your grandmother, remember that your dad was a very creative, talented, kid. So tad at, I hear from a friend that two of our high school buddies past. I search the obits, read the memory book, and discover that your dad lived in my neighborhood. Probably jogged by his house 100 times. Probably passed him in the car 1000 times. I have daughters 16, 24, and 24. Don't know how old you are, but you may have known them, at the same age I knew your dad. What does all this mean? I don't know. I do know that life is not easy for you right now and if you need anything, I would be honored to help. 8599 N Fernwood Court. 313.300.5487. Carry on young man, carry on!!!

Mark Lewandowski - March 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ I had the opportunity to work with Jack while at ASC and then again when we worked with HPPCars. When I met Jack at ASC, I was impressed by his talent to draw and illustrate. Having the opportunity to work with him and collaborate on several projects at HPPCars, he became more than a colleague. His knowledge of cars, illustration, and music really shaped who he was. The projects that stand out the most were the HPPCars Trans Am and the SEMA Ford Escape. Jack was an enjoyable person to be around in not only his talent to draw and figure how how to make a part, but also his stories of his experiences. His memory will live on in his work and the lives of people whom he touched. When Woodward Dream Cruise rolls around this year, I'll know that Jack is looking down from heaven smiling and illustrating his favorite cars.

Stephen Wilkonski - March 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ We were happy to see Jack at a model car show in Warren back in November. Little did we know that would be the last time we'd talk to him. We have lost a friend - in many, many ways. To us he was a great model builder, car builder/enthuartist, artist, and inspiration. He helped us with paint work on our automotive toys, and always had an encouraging word as we worked at modifying our AMC Rambler.

One thing is for sure; Heaven is going to be a lot more stylish. We'll never forget him ...

Greg & Debbie Tufford - March 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I was fortunate to meet Jack when I was working as a designer at ASC in Warren Michigan back in 2009. I immediately got the sense that he was a great person, family man, designer, illustrator, and true hot-rodder. I loved his work and felt that he was a talent that was hard to contain. His energy was hard to ignore. We became friends rather quickly and I really enjoyed the time I spent with him at ASC, although too short. I am shocked at this sad news of his passing and truly will miss him. I only wish I would have kept in touch better over the last seven years since our first chat. God speed, Jack. You will be missed.

Steve Collins

Steve Collins - March 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I met Jack at an art show once and was immediately taken aback by his humility and overall joy of life. I learned something from Jack that day.

We eventually ended up working together at American Specialty Cars in Warren. Jack made an immediate impact there and was a joy to work with. He came to work every day with the same smile and upbeat character.

He was truly a shining light in this world. My sincerest condolences to his family and friends. He is surely missed, yet only for a short while. God Bless you Kendall.

George and Connie McCowan - March 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Kendall- I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. We were good friends in high school. I always remember when we hung out together your Dad being so fidgety at my house and my mom putting paper and pen in front of him so he could draw. What a talented artist he was. Our thoughts are with you. High school was a long time ago but some fond memories stay with you a life time.

Kathy (Perry) Stasiak - March 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Hey Bud...I'm missing you already.

Jack was without a doubt, one of the most gifted and talented people I've ever known. He was always a great friend, besides being one of the most soft-spoken, intelligent, and kind/gentle souls that I've had the pleasure to call my friend. My prayers and thoughts go out to his mother, Kendall, and the rest of his family. He will be sorely missed by anybody who got to know him. I know I do.

Michael Ricketts.

Mike and Rhonda Ricketts - March 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Jack was the kind of person that always had something interesting to say. His laughter was contagious and his smile infectious. I will always treasure the memories I have. ~ Until we meet again my friend.

Kory Marie Hart - March 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ We grew up together; me 'n Jackie. Our dads worker together at Western Electric. I never really realized it but we were separated by three years of age. Never noticed; we were just friends: Lego Masters, Schwinn Bikes, together and in pieces; Cox gas/powered dragsters; Revell Models; drawing, always drawing, creating; motor cross hand-shadows with flashlights on your bedroom walls to CCR "Up Around the Bend." Discovered Rock and Roll guitar with Jack (we'll both go out playing). Fate brought us back together for a quick glimpse a couple of months ago; sitting in his gentle mother's living room remembering. So many decades between us and yet it seemed right. Tonight's power chord is for you my friend. Peace.
Vincent

Vincent Chmielarczyk - March 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I was a student of Jacks in the late 90's. From 8th grade through 12th, I sat in his Airbrush Art class in the back of Creative Corner. Jack pushed me hard in his class, when I didn't believe there was a career in art. He had such charisma for cars and art, you couldn't help but get into all of his teachings and stories. Because of him pushing me I have gone on to have an amazing career in art & design. I'll forever be grateful for the things I learned from him, and the time I spent with him.

Rick Michaels - March 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM