



Roger Ward,

June 6, 1959 - June 30, 2011

Roger C. Ward Jr., 52, died on Thursday, June 30, 2011, from complications due to lung cancer. Roger passed peacefully at his home in Manitowish Waters, WI surrounded by his family. He is survived by wife, Mary; step children, Megan and Brent Wilmot of La Crosse, WI, Phillip Lambert of Fort Bliss Army Base El Paso, TX and Alexander Lambert of Manitowish Waters; parents, Roger Sr. and June Ward; two brothers, Geoffrey and Stephen and a number of nieces, nephews and one great niece. Roger was a credit to his community of Manitowish Waters and a lover of the outdoors, most especially the beautiful Northwoods of Wisconsin. He was a dedicated husband, step father, family member and friend. He touched countless people and can only be described as a manner that gift from God. Funeral Services will be held at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, July 2, 2011 at St. Matthias Episcopal Church in Minocqua. A picnic celebration of Roger's life will take place following the service at the Ward Family Home, 77 Maple Lane, Manitowish Waters, WI 54545. The Ward Family is very grateful for the kind gestures of support and prayers from so many loved ones. Roger will be missed greatly. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Camp Jorn YMCA Programming.

Tribute Wall

SA

“ Roger was a great friend and truly the salt of the earth. I meet Roger working at an episcopal church camp in the summer of '76. We became instant friends.

Roger had a way to make you laugh until your sides hurt. He made you laugh when you did not even want to laugh. I still see him wearing his Ivy cap with his big grin. Everybody wanted to be around him because you knew you were going to have some fun. Memories of Roger take me back to going to concerts in Milwaukee, hot summers with tons of camp kids and especially hanging out with camp friends during long weekends when the kids were gone. Having moved to California after the summer of 1977, I loss touch with my dear friend, but the impact he had on me was long lasting to this day.

Roger, we will miss you buddy. I thank God for the opportunity to have known you for even the short time I did and to have called you my friend.

Love to you and your family.

Scott Ainsworth
Columbia, SC

Scott Ainsworth - September 01, 2014 at 04:34 PM

LF

“ It was always a pleasure to hear your voice Roger! As you always said to us on the radios. Your light in this world has been and will be truly missed! My prayers to you and yours. Lisa

Lisa Fox - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

JB

“ Will truely miss a friend, boss, and all around great person.
Knowing you has been the "Cats ass".

Joe Burlage - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

JB

“ I have lost a dear friend. I will hold near to my heart, countless memories of good times we've shared. I will miss you...until we meet again.

Jeanie Burlage - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

CB

“ Mary,
It seems like only yesterday we were spending our days together at work and always poking fun at those men of ours. I remember how you were always mad when he'd call you during the day instead of during your break and then be mad you didn't answer your phone!
I'm here if you need anything.

~Carrie

Carrie Brandenburg - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

SC

“ My memory of Roger; when he started at walmart,he had questions (boy...did he have questions!!!)when he'd call on the radio, Sandy,your location? I knew, another question!! His thank-you was always expressed. Roger always said; Sandy, we have to get ZING ZANG bloody mary mix in this store. well, someone must of heard him, now we have it. Roger will be greatly missed :(Sandy

Sandy Coan - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

JS

“ I enjoyed working with Roger at Walmart, he always had a smile on his face when he would say hello to me the days that I worked. He'll be missed alot! My thoughts and prayers go to you Mary & your family. I am so sorry for your loss, my family understands your lose.

Jill Schmitt - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

KB

“ We will miss our cousin Roger. We will miss his sense of humor and his gentle teasing. He always added something special to all of our family gatherings here in Texas and in Wisconsin, He is now with our precious Charlie-hope the angels are ready for the two of them. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the Ward family.
Love,
Kay, Lisa, Kevin, Tina and Rylee

Kay Brown & Lisa Brown - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

JH

“ I had only met Roger 3 years ago through Wal Mart, but instantly knew he was a very nice man!

Joe Handrick - March 22, 2013 at 11:53 AM

LS

“ Mary: Our sympathies to you and your family on Roger's passing. We personally understand what grief you are experiencing and our prayers are with you. Lois Swartz; Jill Schmitt; Nikki Schmitt

Lois Swartz - July 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM