



Brian "Too Tall" Rodgers

December 23, 1954 - February 2, 2012

Brian M. "Too Tall" Rodgers, 57, passed away suddenly on Thursday, Feb. 2, 2012, at his home. He was born Dec. 23, 1954, in Lake Forest, where he was a 1973 graduate of Lake Forest High School. Brian was a member of the Knollwood Sportsman's Club and a 30-year employee of the Baldwin Plastering Company in Lake Forest. He was an avid fisherman, Green Bay Packers and White Sox fan and enjoyed playing football, softball and horseshoes. Surviving are his son, Alex Rodgers of Mundelein; his father, Bernard "Brian" Rodgers of Libertyville; sisters, Madge Rodgers-Mutchler, Michelle Gagne, Cathleen Rodgers-Wickman; and former wife and dear friend, Barbara Rodgers (nee Raasch). He was preceded in death by his mother, Madge Rodgers in 1999; and his best friend, Champ. The funeral will begin with prayers at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home Ltd., 120 W. Park Ave. (Route 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.), Libertyville, and services will continue to The Church of St. Mary, 175 E. Illinois Road, Lake Forest, for a funeral Mass at 11:30 a.m. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions can be made to the family for an education fund being established for his son. For information, 847-362-3009 or sign the guest book at www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

DR

“ Alex, My thoughts are with you during this difficult time. May knowing that your Dad touched so many people bring you comfort. Brian - I will miss our times hangin' out in Prairie View. Enjoyed watching football and baseball games, your famous fish fries and our dance to Three Dog Night - Never Been to Spain. We'll miss your "Hey Darlin'" and Here come the "White Women". As you look down on us please know you are thought of with kindness and Love. Thanks for the memories. One of your White Women from the PV gang. ~Dawn~

Dawn Rivers - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM

TW

“ Big Bri it was only about a week ago I was yelling out the window at you. Now I am heart broken to have to say goodbye so soon to you. I have so many special memories of you that I will forever cherish. I can't begin to express how much I am going to miss you. Many you find peace on your new journey. Rest in peace Cuz, I love and miss you!

Trish Willis - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM

BM

“ Hi Brian--I so remember your younger days playing at our house on Highview Terrace with my brothers, Bob and Brian. You were so fun and laughed a lot! Besides--good looking! I was great friends with Michelle who always bested me at any sport--we will miss you very much--your kind heartedness was felt all around our house. Take care and God be with you!! Love, Bridgett MacKenzie Misiak

Bridgett MacKenzie Misiak - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM

LO

“ Dear Alex, You had a wonderful father who thought the world of you. You were his one and only ROCK! I remember him often talking about you to a lot of people. He couldn't ask for a better son, as you made him very proud of your accomplishments. I recall many times when your dad was talking about you and being involved in your baseball. He talked about how he would participate and observe your abilities so he could help you improve in certain areas. He truly enjoyed talking to you, and giving you encouragement whenever needed. He loved fishing with you and participating in your sports. He simply just loved being with you and hanging out. He treasured each and every moment he spent with you. When I would see your dad at friends cook outs / gatherings you were always there with him. Such wonderful memories you will have for ever. Your dad was a long time friend of our family. We will always cherish the great memories we have of him. Bob and the boys will miss their friend and fishing buddy. I will miss his fish fry's out on the lake, and as another person wrote Hello Darling When it came to work your dad was very talented and creative. Most people will say he was an expertise in placing tile anywhere you wanted it. Many people highly recommended your dad because of his expertise. I am happy to say that he left his creativity in my home and many other homes and businesses. We will miss you! Love always, Bob, Lori, Michael, Nicholas & Matthew

Lori - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM

PI

“ So very sorry for your loss, God bless the family. Rest in peace Brian, God's speed on your voyage home!

Pam Idleburg - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM

MT

“ I am so sorry to hear of Brian's passing. My deepest sympathy to those family members I know/have met or talked with on the phone- Brian Sr, Cathleen, Madge, Sid, Barb, and just today (2/11), Little Brian, and to those I've not yet met, especially Alex. You are in my thoughts and prayers. "Too Tall" was always friendly to my Mom, Dorothy, the many times she visited with Brian, Sr ("The Irishman"), and to me whenever I'd visit, also. Since my Mom passed in 2007 I've kept in touch with Brian, Sr (whom I call my "adopted Irish Dad") stopping in to visit when I come up to Libertyville for a visit in the summer. I was fortunate to see/talk a bit with Too Tall on each of my visits- last time was this past September. Again, it is sad to hear that he has passed on. "Beannacht dé oraibh" (God bless you). Sincerely, Marilyn (Mieszala) Techen I'm soon to be changing my email address. My work email is: marilyn.techen@dshs.state.tx.us

Marilyn (Mieszala) Techen - April 27, 2018 at 07:09 AM



“ You are missed every day

July 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM