



Mark Foster

October 21, 1937 - October 10, 2020

Mark Foster, born October 21, 1937.

After a 2 year battle with pancreatic cancer, my dad, Mark Foster went home to be with the Lord on the night of October 10, 2020. His fighting spirit was truly incredible during his final 2 years!

Mark Foster lost his wife, Diann Hunter Foster, to a stroke on August 20, 2017. Mark and Diann were married for almost 60 years! Mark's unconditional love for his (soulmate) wife, his son, his family, and his friends was an inspiration to all that knew him!

Mark retired from Clearon Corporation in South Charleston and was a Born Again Christian and a member of the First Baptist Church of St. Albans.

Mark is survived by his only son, Mark Alexander "Alex" Foster, his sisters, Laurie Turley, Kaden Foster, Lisa Barr and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews who loved him so very much!

Mark Foster had four loves in his life: First and foremost, was his "Unbreakable" relationship with God! Mark served as a deacon at the First Baptist Church and he dedicated his life to God's word. His Faith in God was an inspiration to all that knew him. Secondly, was his love for his family! I cannot imagine a better husband and father than Mark Foster! The epitome of Mark was true unconditional love. He was made up of absolute kindness!!! Third, He loved to go on fishing adventures with his son "Alex". In the last two years of his life, Mark fulfilled his bucket list trips with his son. Mark and Alex traveled all over the country and spent 3 weeks in Canada in 2019. During that time Mark caught multiple 45 inch Northern Pike, 40+ pound Lake Trout, and several 50lb Striped Bass. We traveled all over the country, fishing fresh and salt water. The father & son memories that took place during this time were epic! Last but not least, he loved his weight lifting. Mark truly enjoyed bodybuilding since he was a young man. Mind, Body & Spirit was his recipe for a healthy future.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents, William H. Foster and Margery McFarland, his (Soulmate) wife, Diann Hunter Foster; brothers, Bill and John Foster.

Dad, even if I wrote a ten thousand page report on how unselfish you have been it would not be a glimpse of how wonderful of a man you are!

I'm so proud to be your son!!!

I love you dad!! I will be counting down to meet you and mom in Heaven!!

The family has asked that you wear a mask and social distancing be observed throughout the visitation and funeral services.

Funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. Thursday, October 15, 2020 at First Baptist Church, St. Albans with the Rev. Joel M. Harpold officiating. Burial will be in Danville Cemetery, Danville.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the funeral service at the church.

You may visit Mark's tribute page at BartlettNicholsFuneralHome.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Foster family.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of St. Albans
2nd St & 6th Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Funeral Service

OCT **15**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AC

“ Sorry for your loss, did your dad ever mention he had brothers and sisters? One by the name of Gwendolyn or Rene?

Andrea Clerk - May 25, 2024 at 09:17 AM

DK

“ Alex, I am so very sorry to hear about your dad. Praying for you and your entire family.

Delana Kinser - October 15, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mark Foster.



October 15, 2020 at 09:48 AM

DP

“ I remember the days in Ordnance Park We were best friends and fished the back waters of Kanawha, mark was a great guy even back then. i also remember John and Bill. As the years went by we finally lost track of one another but I still cherish the days in the Park with Mark. Dean Perkins

Dean Perkins - October 14, 2020 at 06:02 PM

LJ

“ I have known Mark and his family for over fifty years and I must say I have never met a finer family than Mark and his wife an son. Mark will be missed very much. I will miss our conversation. He love to talk about working out and always wanted to know about all I have done in my work outs. I have lost a great friend an god our Heavenly Father has gain a great son ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏

Larry Jones - October 14, 2020 at 01:18 PM

RJ

“ Alex, this is Ron Johnson, Mark and I worked together at Clearon, Olin and FMC. He was not only a coworker but a good friend. We shared the same love of fishing. Mark was a good person and a fine man. I am glad you guys got to take one last fishing trip together. I can't imagine him being able to land 45 and 50lb fish at his age. He is one of the good memories in my life and was fortunate to have known him for all those years.
I would love to be able to attend his funeral but my wife is immunocomprised due to pancreas surgery back in Feb. and I have to stay away from the the public for her sake.
You did a great job on his obituary'.

ron johnson - October 14, 2020 at 08:37 AM

DB

“ When I moved into my Grandparents home in 2004, I remember Diane and Mark walking out to the back yard and telling me how highly they thought of them as I introduced myself. They have been great neighbors since I moved in.
Mark was a hard worker and he made sure his property was well taken care of.
I miss Diane and I will miss seeing him too
Prayers To you Alex
Your neighbor Deborah Barker

Deborah Barker - October 13, 2020 at 10:28 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mark Foster.



October 13, 2020 at 02:38 PM