



Ross J. Partington

July 15, 1954 - December 30, 2017

Ross J. Partington, 63, of Hughesville, died Saturday, December 30, 2017, at Valley View Nursing Center.

Born July 15, 1954 in Wilkes-Barre, he was a son of Frank E. and Joan A. (Hartwigsen) Partington. He and his wife, the former Betty A. Stackhouse, would have celebrated 40 years of marriage on January 14, 2018.

Ross dedicated his life to teaching, retiring in 2010 from the Pleasant Valley School District. He taught Physics for a total of 32 years in four different schools, including seven years in Seoul, South Korea. He was an outdoor enthusiast who enjoyed camping, hiking, traveling, and photography. Ross was previously active in Boy Scouts, serving as a Scout leader. He also had a fondness for music and enjoyed playing his trumpet.

Surviving, in addition to his parents and wife, are a daughter, Erin J. (Bryan) Buczek of Birmingham, AL; a son, Adam J. (Liz) Partington of Nazareth; two sisters, Lyn (Bruce) Sklar of Gaithersburg, MD and Gail (Larry) Storey of Greensboro, NC; two brothers, Kurt (Shirnel) Partington of Mountaintop, and Scott (Jeana) Partington of Raleigh, NC; and two grandsons, Liam R. Partington and Hunter D. Partington.

Funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the McCarty-Thomas Funeral Home, Hughesville.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at <http://www.mccartythomas.com>.

Comments



“ I was just thinking of Mr. Partington today and found out that he had passed. He was my favorite teacher at Pleasant Valley, and my main inspiration for becoming a teacher myself. He helped me overcome my fear of mathematics, and ultimately set me on a path where I pursued mathematics and became a math teacher. Thank you so much, Mr. Partington, for everything you did for me and others. You will be missed and remembered.

Kerri Doran - November 16 at 01:02 PM



“ Mr. Partington was one of my favorite teachers at Seoul Foreign School in Korea. I'm very sorry to hear of his passing. I still think of him after all these years. He was a wonderful teacher, advisor and role model.

Nancy Kim - August 22 at 08:41 PM



“ I just today heard of his passing. God bless you! Russ pierce of pierces bookshop.

Russ pierce - June 06 at 07:04 AM



“ Just remembering Ross's great smile when I was lucky enough to meet him and Betty at the Friendly Community Center in Mountainhome. You were a splendid team -- it was an inspiration to see you together. Do you remember the day the one-man band came to our group and passed out music makers from kazoos to washboards & we all were as silly as silly can be, laughing and singing? Ross will be missed and remembered --
Carol Hillestad

Carol Hillestad - January 04, 2018 at 04:46 PM



“ Erin, Adam & I would like to thank everyone for your notes of condolence, as well as your memories. Also, thank you for your donations to the Alzheimer's Association. We will miss Ross, but we know he is at peace.



Betty Partington - January 04, 2018 at 03:47 PM



“ Betty and family we're sorry for your loss ,Ross was always so pleasant to talk to when we would see him . We will keep you all in our prayers, may God bless you and your family at this time .David and Patty Snee and family

David Snee - January 03, 2018 at 08:46 PM



“ My sincerest condolences to Ross' whole family. We've known each other since the '70s during our collegiate days at LHSC/LHU, where Ross, Betty and I were all science majors and fellow trumpet players in the marching and concert bands ... pretty much like family members. I have many fond memories of those days and have enjoyed our continued correspondence ever since then. Hugs and prayers to the family, and may your memories of the wonderful times bring you some peace. It is obvious from the many comments posted here that he was a great person and a beloved teacher.

Linda Kibbe - January 03, 2018 at 11:03 AM



“ I'm so so sorry to hear about the Partington family's loss. Mr. P was a wonderful and patient teacher. He was an even better man. I pray you find comfort in good memories.

Brianna (Hurley) Carroll - January 03, 2018 at 06:31 AM



“ I worked with Ross many years ago at Pleasant Valley. He was such a kind man. This world needs more teachers like him. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. My thoughts go out to his family.

Carissa Pokorny-Golden - January 03, 2018 at 12:06 AM



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Gary & Sue Moser - January 02, 2018 at 08:53 PM



“ Dear Betty, Erin, Adam, and extended family,
We are very sad to hear of Ross's passing. He was a good father, husband, son and friend. We have very nice memories of the times our children, and Dave and I spent with you and your lovely family. We considered you as our friends, we trusted each other with our children, driving to girl scouts, sleepovers and watching them when we both needed a night out with our husbands. We trust and believe Ross is with God, free from stress, and watching his wonderful family from above. God bless you all!

Sincerely, Dave and Elaine Lapinsky

Elaine Lapinsky - January 02, 2018 at 06:56 PM



“ I was blessed to have Mr Partington for Physics while attending Pleasant Valley High School (over 20 years ago). He kept the class fun and the students engaged, in fact I don't remember anyone not enjoying his class. He was an amazing teacher, whose wit and intelligence will be missed. I am so sorry for your loss, I hope that with time fond memories will replace the hurt.

Sabrina McGuigan - January 02, 2018 at 05:37 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Ross was a great man and teacher. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this time of sorrow.

Melissa Ruschak - January 02, 2018 at 05:33 PM



“ Betty and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I know you have had a very difficult time these last few years and you have my admiration for gracefully handling what you were going through. You can rest easy knowing Ross is at peace now.

I first met you and Ross at the Seattle airport as we all met to board a plane to fly to our new teaching jobs in Seoul! We spent several years in Korea, experiencing the culture and learning together. Your daughter, Erin, and my daughter, Amanda were babies together so we shared parenting experiences, too. I vividly remember when you and Ross came to my first grade classroom to demonstrate Tae Kwon Do to my students during Korea Week. It was impressive! Thank you for all those wonderful memories of our time together in Korea. I will lift you all up in prayer during the days ahead. Blessings, Rebecca Wilson

Rebecca Wilson - January 02, 2018 at 05:19 PM



“ A very good teacher and even a better person, so sorry for his passing.

Frank Tatusko - January 02, 2018 at 04:43 PM



“ A teacher's teacher. Didn't just teach Physics, he taught kids. RIP

Bob Catina - January 02, 2018 at 04:43 PM



“ Betty, I'm thinking of you and your family at this time. I know you have so many fond memories past. Hang on to them and let them help you through this time. May God's comfort and blessings be with you at this time. I know that you have your Kedron Church family behind you. I will look forward to seeing you and talking to you at the church this coming summer. Shirley Crawley

Shirley Craley - January 02, 2018 at 02:09 PM



“ Sending prayers of comfort and strength to the Partington family. I knew Ross (& Betty) through our connection of band at LHSC/LHU, and that brings back many fond memories. Letting go is difficult, but Ross is no longer suffering. May that bring you and the family some peace. This last stretch of road in his life has been a difficult one. What a smart man, what an interesting life... Hold on to the good times.

Deborah (Kibbe) Warren - January 02, 2018 at 08:58 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all. Ross was such a great person, he enjoyed teaching his students everything he knew. Excellent teacher and co-worker. He will be missed. RIP Ross.

Helen - January 02, 2018 at 07:36 PM