



Mark Schlager

March 14, 1958 - March 1, 2010

TORRINGTON, WY...Funeral services for MARK CONRAD SCHLAGER, 51, will be held on Saturday March 6, 2010 at 10am at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church in Torrington, Wyoming with Pastor William Coop officiating. Visitation hours are Friday from 3-6pm at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel. Internment will follow the service at Valley View Cemetery. Memorials can be made out to the family and to Valley Christian Schools. Mark passed away at his home surrounded by his family after a two year battle with cancer on March 1, 2010. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com. He was born to Harry and Lorraine (Lebsack) Schlager on March 14, 1958 in Torrington, Wyoming. He graduated high school in 1976 and attended Eastern Wyoming College. Mark started working at the post office in December of 1978 and worked there for 31 years until ill health forced him to retire in December of 2009. Mark married Gaylene Mehling on June 24, 2000 in Torrington at First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church. Mark enjoyed singing in the community choir and was a part of many productions at EWC. He taught country western dance and enjoyed dancing himself. Mark also loved fishing and camping with his wife and daughter Brittany. He was an avid gardener, treasure for the NALC (postal service), achieved Eagle Scout status when he was younger, and was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Torrington. Survivors include his wife Gaylene and daughter Brittany, both of Torrington; father Harry H. Schlager of Cheyenne,

WY, brother Harry H. Schlager Jr. of North Hills, CA, Brother-in-law and sister-in-law Terry and Greta Mehling of Morrill, NE, brother -in-law and sister-in-law Mark and Annette Lang of Scotts Bluff, NE, five nieces, one nephew, five great nephews, one great niece, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother Lorraine Schlager, both maternal and paternal grandparents, mother and father in-law Ben and Irene Mehling, and brother in-law Ted Mehling.

Tribute Wall

AG

“ Dear Gaylene and Brittany,
I simply cannot tell you how sorry I am for your loss of Mark. He and I talked often and he always spoke of you both with such love and joy. We all know Mark died way too young, but he had true love in his life and not everybody is so fortunate.
I wish there was something I could do or say to lessen your sorrow but I know there is not. Just know Mark had so many friends and any one of us would do anything to help out.
You and all Mark's family will be in my thoughts and prayers.
Andrea Griffin

Andrea Griffin - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Mark was a very caring person. When his mom was in the nursing home, he went there nearly every afternoon and spent quiet time with her. I was impressed by his love and dedication. I so appreciated his friendship with and kindness to my father, Elmer McElhaney (a retired letter carrier). My dad thought a great deal of Mark and will miss him very much.

Ginny Becker - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Please accept my deepest condolences on Mark's passing. I remember him fondly from high school, and wish you strength and faith during this time of mourning.

Sincerely,

Rick Rounsborg
THS Class of 1976

Rick Rounsborg - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Mark was a great person. I Shared good times with him during music productions and programs. My wife and I also took dance lessons from him. He will be missed by many. Sorry for your loss, I'm sure he is singing and dancing waiting for us all!

Ritch Reyes - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ Mark was an awesome friend, not only to me but to everyone he met. He will be missed by all. Mark was always fun at our class reunions. I remember one of Mark's comments when we had our twenty year reunion. A bunch of us were at the Bronco having the mixer and Mark came in from outside and while he was laughing said " Some old guy was wanting to know if this is where the thirty year class reunion was being held and I said that this was the twenty year class reunion, it's not for old people." My husband at the time was just getting ready to attend his thirty year reunion, I said "Well that's not Mark because my husband is going to his thirty year in two weeks." Mark just shrunk into his chair and was very embarrassed and he kept apologizing all evening. Mark was fun.

Veronica Baird Lockman - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Gaylene,
Please accept my deepest condolences. You and I have been friends from way back. We lost contact with each other for awhile but, still friends at heart. I have always wished the very best for you. Mark truly was the best! I was so glad to see that he made you truly happy.
I wish you strength and faith during this time of mourning.
God Bless!

Brenda Loose - Krause

March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *"I will not leave you desolate; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world will see me no more, but you will see me; because I live, you will live also." John 14: 18,19*

Much Love,
Jeff, Licia and Em

Jeff, Alicia and Emily Ayres - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *My wife and I took country dance lessons from Mark several times over the years and he was always friendly and willing to help those of us with two left feet. He was always fun to be around. I also knew Mark from Torrington High School where I taught for 31 years. Mark was a great young man and always respectful of others in any undertaking that he was involved with. I know he will be missed by his many friends and those whose lives he touched in his every day endeavors.*

Lee Milner - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

IP

“ I am SO sorry for your loss. I'm sure he'll live on in your hearts. God bless you all.

Ingrid Phillips - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ At this time we would like to reach out to your entire family, but in particular to Gaylene and Brittany.
We liked Mark personally and respected him for his family loyalty. Gwen in particular enjoyed his musical side and took pleasure in accompanying him with his vocal work. We offer our sympathy, support and condolences at this time. With Best Wishes, Keith and Gwen Whitney

Keith & Gwen Whitney - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I will always remember Mark's twinkling brown eyes,quirky sense of humor and his genuine care for other people. There are not many people like Mark and was my privilege to know him. My favorite memories are from the early 80's Lira's Sunday Lunch Bunch... the group was always involved in some spirited conversation, that more often than not involved every person in the restaraunt!!!!

Tracie Murphy - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WT

“ I woke up last night thinking of Mark and all the things we did together back in our single days. My best memory was a trip to Mexico when on our return we were ready to board our plane to Denver and the Mexican Police escorted us by GUN POINT to a different plane destination unknown. We ended up in LAX and although we did not think so at the time we had more fun that night than we had the whole trip.

My heart goes out to Gaylene and Brittany. Mark will be missed.

Warren Terrell - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Galene, I wish I could say something to make the pain go away. But I can tell you that you and Brittany are in my prayers and thoughts each and every day. Remember if you need or want anything, just tell me. Even just to vent. Love you my friend.

Cam

Cam Seigal - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

IR

“ I will always rememeber Mark in his postal uniform and a big smile for all. I never took dance lessons from him but always wanted to. Mark will be sadley missed.

Irene Reese - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Gaylene and Brittany,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mark. I wish I had known and would have like to have attended the funeral of Mark. We were friends for many years. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Tracey

Tracey Walker - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Mark was a good friend and I remember him from the numerous Bible studies we attended together. He enjoyed singing and caroling at Christmas.*

I thank God for Mark having been a part of my life while in Torrington.

Kieth Moritz - March 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM