



## Mark Steven Allbaugh

*August 19, 1954 - January 27, 2017*

Mark Steven Allbaugh, age 62, passed away after complications from surgery, on Friday, January 27, 2017. Mark was born in St. Louis, Missouri on August 19, 1954 to Donald and Anna May (Werner) Allbaugh. After graduating Lindbergh High School in 1972, he attended the University of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri where he was a member of Sigma Pi Fraternity. He began his career at CMC Stereo in St. Louis and moved to Dallas, Texas in 1978 to manage the Northpark store until he decided to open his own company. He was the owner and operator of Mass AVS, a home theater and home automation business in Allen, Texas, for many years.

Mark enjoyed scuba diving, discussing cars and politics, music, watching movies, attending concerts, and spending time with family and friends. He always had a story to tell, a laugh to share, and a welcoming smile for all. He will be missed by many.

Mark is survived by his wife of 26 years, Susan of Allen, Texas; daughter, Katie Allbaugh of Austin, Texas; mother Anna May Allbaugh of Crestwood, Missouri; sister Chris Caruthers and husband Tom of Ballwin, Missouri; niece Cathy Lui and husband James of Ballwin, Missouri; niece Carolyn Caruthers of Valley Park, Missouri; and a host of loving family and friends.

Mark was preceded in death by his father, Donald N. Allbaugh.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2017 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home in Allen. Interment will follow at Wilson Chapel Cemetery, 2135 Chapel Lane, McKinney. The family will receive friends during a visitation on Thursday evening, February 2, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home in Allen.

## Memorials

*So sorry to hear of your loss! We were just talking about Mark and looked him*

*up only to learn of his sudden passing. He set up all our media equipment and took fantastic care of us when our house was hit by lightning just a couple of months later. Always quick with a smile, warm and welcoming, he will be missed. Prayers and warm thoughts for you.*

**BROOKE & JOE DEVORE, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017**

*"Please allow me to express my sympathy for the loss of your loved one. You are in my prayers for peace from our God in Heaven during this difficult time. May His spirit direct you to His Holy Word, where a message of Hope is written for those who sleep in death, and we the living. Please lean on Him for strength, He is greater than our hearts." Romans 15:13, 1 Thessalonians 4:14,*

**WARD FAMILY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017**

*Mark always had a smile on his face and a funny story to tell when he came into our location in Carrollton to pick up some A/V product from us. He was a good person-you could tell them about Mark right away. I remember the first time I saw his new Mustang parked outside in our parking lot and I thought to myself-is this Mark's car ? Really? It made me a little jealous to be honest. I know how much he loved that car-even though it was a little tricky getting in and out of for him but that did not matter. I'm sure he felt just like a teenager again when he drove it. God bless you and keep you my friend-you will be missed by all.*

**CHARLES KAMANES, FEBRUARY 3, 2017**

*You were a true friend Mark, you always had my back no matter the circumstances. You will be missed more than you know. A light has gone out in our worlds, RIP Brother Mark till we meet again. Thank you for being my friend*

**RANDY SHAFER, FEBRUARY 3, 2017**

*Mark will be missed so very much by his family and friends. Mark had a sharp wit, and such a deep love for his family. Blessings to all of his love ones.*

**NANCY BRENNER, FEBRUARY 3, 2017**

*I have known Mark since 1996. I can't remember how I got his name and Mass Audio/Video but when we moved into a house in Plano, mMark and his band of*

*"merry men" installed what I was sure was the system of a lifetime. We hit it off day one when I learned of our shared connections to the Midwest and particularly St Louis where all three of our kids were born. I learned of Susan and Katie and the extended family. And then we moved to Austin and I called Mark and said "would you consider coming to Austin to do my new home?" I told Mark I loved his company and the service support and I just "buy the best and only cry once". He liked that and did come to Austin to install the "system of a lifetime". And from there we moved to Bratlesville and Mark and Mass AV came again for installation of the newest "SOAL". And on our return to Dallas in 2012 we again had Mass and Mark do our townhouse. Late last month Mark joined me at what I suspected was our last house and I wanted him to see it and tell me what we could do. This was a brand new house but was lacking what Mark and Mass would have wired into a newly built house. But like always...there was a way to accomplish about whatever I wanted. That was always Mark's attitude.....we can make anything work...."it is only a matter of money". I was sad to see how crippled Mark was by his bum knee. When he told me he was scheduled for surgery in January I told him to wait until he was recovered to help me plan my last SOAL. It was not to be.....I am so saddened at Susan and Katie's loss. Over all these years and houses we shared lots of personal stories, family stories and political and funny and heart warming emails. Mark, I will so miss you...for so many reasons. You are home now, I know - in His living and loving embrace. You "walked the talk"and were forever the consummate business professional. I know you were a great family man, too. The world and the Metroplex is such a much better place that you were here. Good bye, my friend....I will miss you. Howard*

**HOWARD MANNING, FEBRUARY 2, 2017**

*Susan,Katie&Family, In this time of sadness, remember all the love and smiles you shared. Our families have known each other for 45+ years. Mark has been part of it for 26+ years. We are so fortunate to have shared so many amazing moments together. Mark's smile and laugh brought joy to everyone around him. It was a rare day if he was not joking around about something. He*

*was a wealth of information. Mark was a good man with a kind heart and a very special person. He will be missed but he will be with us always. From Our Hearts, THE BEAN HOUSE-HOLD*

**GREGG&JULIE SWING AND FAMILY, FEBRUARY 2, 2017**

*I will miss you my friend. You were always positive and supportive. You always listened. Didn't judge.*

**TOM KNITTLE, FEBRUARY 2, 2017**

*Oh my dear friend, I am sorry to say good bye. After marrying sweet Susan so many years ago, I quickly became friends with my friend's husband. There was never a time that we all got together and you didn't make us laugh, and sometimes cry because we were laughing so hard. That's what life is all about. Spending time with people you love. I will miss you. You left behind a loving wife and darling daughter. They will go on, because they have the support of their family and friends. They also know, that one day, you will greet them in heaven. Show us all the way, Mark. God Bless.*

**JOAN CAPEZZUTO, FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

*I have SO many fond memories of Mark from our glory days at Lindbergh High School! Endless hours watching our "gearhead" buddies working on their cars, hanging out together doing nothing, partying in Stahlheber's giant basement, and just generally having a blast. Mark was always calm and was the go-to guy when you needed somebody to talk to. I don't remember ever seeing him get in a fight with anybody or ever even be in a bad mood. I haven't seen Mark since our 30th reunion, but I have always considered him a friend. A really good guy. He will be missed by many. RIP my friend!*

**BETH (SCHNITZ) HAASE, FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

*I am shocked and saddened at the news of Mark's passing. What a great guy! We worked together for 10+ years. He will definitely be missed by all who knew him. I will always remember his laugh and his wonderful stories. Rest In Peace, friend.*

**NATALIE DAVIS, FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

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