



Mark Amoriello

June 8, 1966 - January 2, 2021

Mark Anthony Amoriello, age 54, passed away on January 2, 2021. Mark was born in Philadelphia, PA to Stephen Joseph Amoriello Jr. and Eleanor Theresa Amoriello. Raised in South West Philly, he attended and graduated from St. Joseph's Prep in Philadelphia where he played football (All Catholic Selection) and was elected student council president. Mark played football and continued his education at Catholic University in Washington, DC. After two years of college, Mark was convinced he knew enough and left school in pursuit of his next adventure. He resided for a few years in the Virginia Beach area first working in real estate and eventually moving into the spa industry where he would spend the rest of his career. Before continuing his travels in the US, Mark spent a few years in Japan where he taught English, was a swimming instructor and worked as a sanitary engineer (i.e. a Japanese trash man). While abroad, Mark studied martial arts earning his 1st Dan Black Belt in Hap Ki Do, enjoyed mountain climbing and skiing.

Once back in the US, Mark became a sought-after expert in opening and running spas across the country. His career led him to taking up residence in places such as Baltimore, Scottsdale, the Outer Banks, Yosemite, Santa Barbara, Austin, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Taos, New Mexico and lastly in Durant, OK where he was a Director at the Choctaw Casino and Resort. As a result of his frequent relocations, Mark became an accomplished mover and brought along with him everything from motorcycles to gun

collections to hot tubs. Although he held a number of positions (a rolling stone gathers no moss), Mark was well-respected and loved by his colleagues everywhere he went. His parents visited him at every one of his many stops at which Mark's colleagues and supervisors were anxious to share with his parents their fondness and high praises for their son.

While residing in many places, Mark traveled home to the Philadelphia area as much as possible to visit with his family and friends and to enjoy his mother's cooking – some of which he was always sure to pack with him in ice when he left. Back home in Philadelphia, he spent quality time with his loved ones and without a doubt was the “crazy uncle” with whom his nieces and nephews will forever cherish their memories.

Far from Philadelphia in Durant, Mark found a wonderful woman in Brittany Springer with whom he would spend the last few years. Mark, Brittany and her children Peyton and Eli enjoyed the outdoors often going on hiking and camping trips. While on the surface different in many respects, together Mark and Brittany were a beautiful couple.

Mark did not back down to challenges and his diagnosis of pancreatic cancer was no different. He endured two substantial surgeries in an effort to beat his disease which unfortunately provided no relief. Despite his severe pain, he refused medication to alleviate it until the last few weeks so that he could better describe what his cancer was doing to his doctors. The word quit was not in Mark's vocabulary. As the end drew near, Mark found the strength and blessed those with him with final words of “I love you” which each will remember for as long as they too shall live.

Mark lived life to the fullest and everyone with whom he shared those experiences, either directly or simply through hearing about them, got to enjoy life that much more because of Mark. A true individual who danced to the beat

of his own drum, Mark set an example for all to follow. His final gifts to us are the memories of him we all get to share.

Mark was preceded in death by his brother Christopher Amoriello. Mark is survived by his parents Stephen Joseph Amoriello Jr. and Eleanor Amoriello. His fiancée Brittany Springer and her children Peyton and Eli. His brothers Stephen Joseph Amoriello, III and his wife Christina and Eric Amoriello. His nephews William Judson Piper and his wife Marcie, Stephen Joseph Amoriello IV and his girlfriend Morgan Buswell, and Eric Daniel Amoriello and Rhys Amoriello. Nieces Elizabeth Rose Amoriello and Sophie Ann Amoriello. Great nephew Colton Piper and great niece Caila Piper. Godmother Madlyn Raia as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Tribute Wall

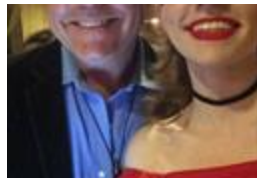


“ *Mark Amoriello*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ *Uncle Mark stayed with my family for a little bit when I was pre-school/kindergarten age. One day, I suppose my parents had asked him to take me to school. Instead of taking me to school, he took me to Chuck-E-Cheese and to get ice cream. In the car he told me “this is called playing hooky, don’t tell your parents.” Later, when my parents came home from work, the first thing I said to them when they came in the door was “me and uncle mark played hooky today!”*



Elizabeth Amoriello - January 17, 2021 at 12:58 PM



“ *Among, missing you my friend! Remember your recruiting trip to Catholic U and the great times we had in DC and Philly to the time you left for Japan. Always a good friend and great man! Missing you!!*

*Melvin Smith
South West Philly
Catholic U - Go Cards!*

Melvin Smith - January 10, 2021 at 08:55 AM

AS

Thanks Melvin for your kind words. Appreciate the flowers as well.

Amoriello Steve - January 11, 2021 at 09:13 PM



“ *Mark and I worked together at Barton Creek. He was so much fun, we went out chasing ladies a few times.....I met Deb through him who would go on to be a close friend.....It's funny how some can touch your life and change it. Rest my friend*

Michael Moffatt - January 06, 2021 at 12:26 PM



Shelley Schlottman

“ *Very sad to have lost this dear friend. He made people smile and laugh - boy did he make people laugh. We shared many football Sunday's together, along with Linda Agnew, having chili cook offs, cheering, giving each other crap, rooting each other on & laughing. You will be missed.*

Shelley Schlottman - January 06, 2021 at 11:35 AM

RB

“ *Once Mark left Virginia Beach, the many miles between us meant we talked & saw each other a lot less. However my head and heart are both still filled with cherished memories of the many escapades we shared. I don't think I've ever had a friend that lived life with more gusto than Mark. I don't recall ever spending a moment with him when he wasn't smiling, upbeat and laughing, he seemed to always be in a good mood. Cheers to a life very well lived. RIP my friend.... Rob Baxter*

Rob Baxter - January 06, 2021 at 12:19 AM

MO

“ *Mark was a great man. Not just my supervisor we became friends and he became a mentor to me! I'll always remember the smile the jokes and our one on one talks. Love you brother Marcus..*

Marcus Owens - January 05, 2021 at 07:13 PM

VP

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Vince Pace - January 05, 2021 at 05:20 PM

VP

Till we meet again my brother Mark Amoriello RIP.. You fought with everything you had till the end, no more suffering you're in God's hands. Thankfully Johnny Borraccini and I were able to spend some quality time together when you were up for Thanksgiving. Love You brother...

Vince Pace - January 05, 2021 at 05:52 PM

AB

“ *I love this guy like a brother... words to describe our relationship don't come easy, and none seem adequate. Whatever crazy stunt or adventure I dreamed up, I could always count on having Mark by my side. I'd like to think he knew he could expect the same from me. He packed a whole lot of living into his 54 years. I'm honored to have shared some of those years (and his Mom's cooking).*

Mark - I'll miss you terribly.

Al Bunnell - January 05, 2021 at 04:37 PM