



Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon

November 7, 1969 - July 5, 2019

Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon

Age 49 of Excelsior, MN. Funeral Service Friday, July 12th, 2019 2:00 PM @ Woods Chapel, 525 Leaf Street, Long Lake, MN, 55356 with visitation 1 hour prior to service at Woods Chapel. Sharing of memories and visitation also on Thursday, July 11th, 2019 @ Washburn McReavy, Eden Prairie Chapel, 7625 Mitchell Road, Eden Prairie, MN from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM with sharing beginning at 6:00 PM.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Crematory

2610 19th Ave NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

The Woods Chapel
525 Leaf Street
Long Lake, MN 55356

Tribute Wall

ES

“ I'm also a High school friend of Craig's - and was shocked and very sad to hear of his passing. He was a much loved class mate and will be deeply missed.

Craig was always quite brilliant at maths and science - and I recall won or excelled in several national maths competitions.

I recall going on several school camps together and we were friends for most of high school, including being in the same "house" and tutorial group, as well as sharing many classes, including French where we dedicated many hours to "pranking" the teacher. Aside from him famously spending an entire 90 minute double class with his eyes closed, including completing all his class-work, he was also involved in passing around a miniature (and exceptionally loud !) cap gun - which different class mates would take turns to fire - so the teacher could never find it nor pin-point who the culprit was ! I still find it hard not to laugh out loud when I think of those times !

Craig was an electronics whiz even at the age of 14 or 15 and drew circuit diagrams on paper in his spare time, and made and sold electronic components to the National telecommunications provider, Australian Telecom, whilst still at school ! (Some sort of emote switching device as best I can recall !!)

Craig was also in the school Orchestra, and together we comprised the very back desk of the 2nd violins - i.e. the very worst violinists out of about 40 or so ! Needless to say, we had much fun trying our best to play music that was sometimes simply beyond us, or laughing as we watched everyone else's violin bows moving upwards whilst realizing that our own bows very moving downwards in beautiful unison with each other ! We eventually graduated into the rear pews of the first violins - and if I close my eyes I ca still see Craig lifting his violin to commence playing, or turning a page on the sheet music !

My thoughts, and those of fellow classmates, go to Craig's family

and friends, and to Craig, we will miss you dearly. I hope you are now tinkering with soldering irons and transistors and circuit boards and capacitors and making something, being evermore creative and entrepreneurial, and finding humor and peace in a better place...

Rest in Peace as we remember you.

Your high school mate,

*Ed Smith
Melbourne*

Ed Smith - July 29, 2019 at 09:41 AM

GF

“ *It is with great sadness that I read of Craig’s passing, and of how much he meant to so many people.*

We were great friends in early high school, although Craig was annoying smart and able to easily excel in maths and science subjects without trying. Amongst his many achievements, he lead the Radio Club and was an early computer expert before anyone else realised just how important that would be. Craig’s intelligence and leadership ultimately lead him to head the school’s Army Cadet Corp which was a very impressive achievement.

I also spent a few summer holidays with Craig and his family at Pambula Beach which was great fun.

Craig also had a great sense of humour, for example, he once spent an entire double French class with his eyes closed the whole time! Another impressive achievement & very funny! 😊

Very fond memories.

Rest in Peace Craig.

George

George Fletcher - July 25, 2019 at 05:54 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.*



July 11, 2019 at 02:34 PM

SB

“ *This is such a giant loss. Craig was not just blazingly brilliant, he was not just deeply creative, he was not just naturally fun--he was a real friend to so many of us. His time on Earth, though far too brief, was big and bold and beautiful enough to leave its mark forever. He made this place better.*

< Steve

Steve Biafore - July 10, 2019 at 09:17 PM

 Ram Seshan

I'm so sad.. Craig was such a good friend and a colleague. RIP my friend...

Ram Seshan - July 13, 2019 at 09:54 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.*



July 10, 2019 at 04:33 PM



“ Craig was not only a mentor to me, but a friend. His passion for science, math, technology, and culture left a significant impact on those who knew and worked with him.

I never had the pleasure of meeting his family, though I offer my sincere condolences and wish them the very best.

In lieu of flowers, I've chosen to donate to The Smithsonian Science Education Center because I think he would like that.

Godspeed Craig. You will be missed.

-M

M - July 10, 2019 at 02:27 PM



“ Gay and Glen and Gloria purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.



Gay and Glen and Gloria - July 10, 2019 at 05:34 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.



July 09, 2019 at 06:08 PM

LC

“ Lexy, Jon, Donny and Christy purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.



Lexy, Jon, Donny and Christy - July 09, 2019 at 03:29 PM

Greg Drozdek

“ I lived in the same apartment building as Craig. All the neighbors he would hangout with at the hot tub or in the pub room all have fond memories. I've personally had some good times and some great conversations with Craig. He will truly be missed :-)



Greg Drozdek - July 09, 2019 at 01:05 PM



“ Heart Wind Chime - Personalized was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.



July 09, 2019 at 12:09 PM

JU

“ Craig was sweet, funny, and brilliant. I learned a great deal from him when we worked together. The world has lost a truly wonderful soul, who touched so many. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Julie - July 09, 2019 at 10:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.*



July 09, 2019 at 10:10 AM



“ *Heavenly and Harmony was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.*



July 08, 2019 at 11:45 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Craig Andrew Gerald Dillon.*



July 08, 2019 at 09:16 PM



“ *Craig was very kind and a wonderful colleague for the several years I worked with him. May God hold your family close and surround you with love and comfort.*

Amy

Amy - July 08, 2019 at 04:41 PM

LA

“ *Craig was truly a good person....and will be missed by so many. Best thoughts for Craig's family and friends.*

Lamont - July 08, 2019 at 04:20 PM



“ *My heart breaks for all of us who loved Craig. He was such a kind person. I stood next to him when Hailey shared that she was pregnant with Josie, he was so happy! He loved his little girl so much, and being a dad was one of his favorite things in life.*

Nancy Clift - July 08, 2019 at 02:09 PM