

Eric Jon Hyland

February 26, 1963 - August 6, 2023

Hyland, Eric Jon,

Age 60 of St. Paul, passed away unexpectedly at home at 60 years old.

He is preceded in death by his dad, Marilyn Hyland. Eric is survived by his mom, Lynnese Paulson, brother Mark Hyland (Tanya) and his sister Amy Baretz (Doug) and niece and nephews, Nicole, Lance and Jack Baretz.

Eric graduated from Coon Rapids Senior High in 1981 and was on the debate team. He followed the love of debate to Lewis and Clark College in Portland, OR where he graduated in 1985 with a major in International Relations. Eric was a lobbyist by profession most recently starting his own business Eric Hyland Government Affairs. Eric cherished his many friends and business cohorts whom were an integral part of his life. Eric was a lifelong learner which led to his love of collecting. His love of golf, hunting, fishing and travel consumed him. He was a great son, brother and uncle whom always tried to put family first.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Any financial contributions in memory of Eric can be made using this link to the Coon Rapids Community Scholarship Association

https://www.givemn.org/organization/Coon-Rapids-Community-Scholarship-Association?fbclid=IwAR32ZwE5vfUX_L8R8KqeURSvcRm2ZIUALbhbq4uwllw1i4u2hEOniNUe0w

Come and celebrate Eric with us Thursday, September 7, 2023 anytime

between 4-7pm in the East Bay room at Kendall's Tavern and Chophouse,
12800 Bunker Prairie Road NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55448.

www.Washburn-McReavy.com

Coon Rapids Chapel 763-767-1000

Tribute Wall

KD

“ I feel incredibly fortunate to have met Eric through family and to have been able to consider him family for more than a decade. During that time, I was able to get to know the kind, quiet, intellectual and incredibly wise yet humble human he was.

Our paths would connect professionally as well. I remember speaking at an event he attended. Being Eric, he had reached out to me ahead of time and assured me he'd be there to support. And afterward, he was there to offer perspective on a few contrarians in the crowd. I was honored to have his support and friendship.

His loss is great. His memory immeasurable.

Sending love to you, Lynnese, Mark, Tanya, Amy, Doug, Nicole, Lance, Jack and all the many family and friends grieving this incredible loss.

Kary Delaria - September 10, 2023 at 09:32 PM

SW

“ Eric & I lobbied side by side for nearly a decade on behalf of Sheriffs across Minnesota. He showed grace and understanding to parties that didn't agree and never let anything get him too rattled. He loved Minnesota and his work at the Capitol was just a small part of that! He will be missed by all. Peace to Eric's family and Rest In Peace, brother.

Sandra Westerman - September 07, 2023 at 11:25 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Eric Jon Hyland.*



August 30, 2023 at 05:29 PM



“ *Eric was a kid from my old neighborhood in Coon Rapids whom I hired to work at the State Capitol 37 years ago and he never left. He was smart, hard working, a quick study and fun to around. I will miss him.*

Gene Merriam - August 15, 2023 at 10:35 AM

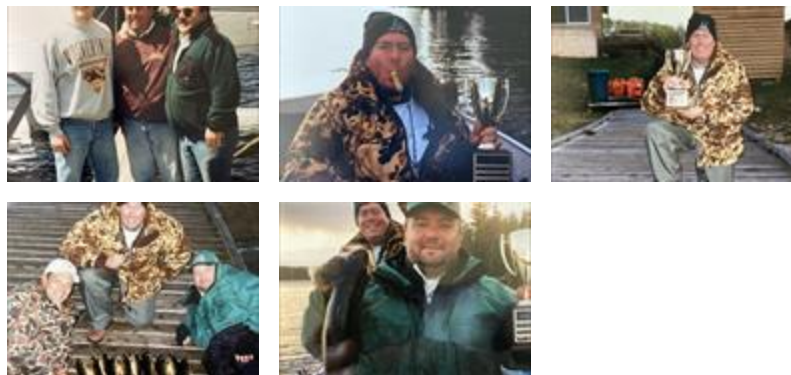


I met Eric 37 years ago when I came back to the Senate to work for Chuck Davis, the vice chair of the Ag Cmte chaired by Gene. It was a great group of people to work with in G-24! I, too, will miss seeing Eric at Senate functions; he was a friend who always had a smile on his face.

Karen (Shurson) Erickson - August 23, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ *8 files added to the tribute wall*



Tony - August 12, 2023 at 10:32 PM

CF

“ *A warm and kind coworker and friend who left you with a smile and was loved.*



Capitol Friends - August 12, 2023 at 03:55 PM

SB

“ *Eric was one of my favorite classmates at Lewis and Clark College and did great impressions of our professor, Dr. Ha. Eric was a kind person and always made me laugh! He will be greatly missed and my heart goes out to his family and friends. - Stephany Brown*

Stephany Brown - August 11, 2023 at 05:25 PM

JC

“ *Eric was a frequent flyer at Duck School and loved the outdoors. Always a fun companion outside the Capitol and a valued and respected colleague at work.*

He had a great bullshit meter but only used it in the kindest way, a rare quality that I often lack.

Joel Carlson



joel carlson - August 11, 2023 at 04:53 PM

TF

“ Eric was a tremendous mentor, friend, golf partner, and advocate. I have known him just the past 15 years, 10 of which we lobbied side by side on behalf of law enforcement. His dedication and love for our state was unwavering. Through that time we became close friends and he was always there to share a laugh, celebrate a victory, or console a loss. I will forever miss my friend and miss knowing that he is in his post on the south side of the Senate chamber every Monday and Thursday, but will always follow my Lutsen Cup Captain.

Tom Freeman - August 11, 2023 at 02:51 PM