



Mr. Kyle Marvin Menken

August 10, 1983 - November 11, 2022

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the unexpected passing of Kyle M. Menken, age 39, of Eden Prairie, on November 11th, 2022, at his home.

Kyle was born on August 10th, 1983, at Fairview Southdale Hospital in Edina, MN to Marvin and Cynthia Menken. He spent the first few years of his life in Minnetonka, MN where he was baptized at All Saints Lutheran Church. At three years old he moved with his family to San Jose, CA, where they welcomed his brother Jason to the world before returning to Minnesota and making their permanent home in Plymouth.

As a kid, his larger-than-life personality was evident from the very beginning. He always carried himself with an infectious smile and made friends everywhere he went. He grew up attending Wayzata schools where he loved to play sports (hockey and baseball were his passions), music (he played the saxophone in school and later the guitar), the outdoors (he loved camping trips with the family and hunting with his cousins), and anything else he could do with his friends. Kyle excelled in school and in athletics, eventually graduating from Wayzata High School in 2001 with awards in academics, hockey, and baseball. Even with the accomplishments, friends may remember him most by his blue Jeep Wrangler. You could always find him cruising around town or parked at the rink.

Kyle continued his education and his passion for hockey at Gustavus Adolphus University. He again excelled in academics and sports, eventually earning the Don Roberts Award for leadership and skill. Unlike most of his family, Kyle was passionate about history (particularly Norwegian history and the Vikings), the arts, business, and many other things. He finished out his college career in 2005 earning a degree in International Business with a minor in French. Even though he loved everything about college, his fondest memory was the time he lived in Paris and studied poetry for a semester. Kyle really did love to do it all.

After college he worked a variety of jobs in the financial industry before returning to graduate school at the University of St. Thomas and earning a Master of Science in Health Care Innovation. This led to a job with United Health Care as a Healthcare Sales Agent where he worked up until he passed away. Kyle always aspired to help people and during his short time in the healthcare industry he helped more people than he will ever know.

Kyle had many passions later in life, but his best memories were from the times he got to spend up at the lake in Remer, MN. He loved to ride the ATVs, shoot target practice with his guns (he claimed he could hit a silver dollar from 200 yards), and most of all put on firework shows. He still loved hockey and watched the Minnesota Wild any chance he could. Music also continued to be a passion for him, and you could always find him listening to country (Kenny Chesney was his favorite) or attending a concert. His most profound joy came from his dog and companion of 14 years, Mikko.

Anyone that knew him will remember that he was a kind and loving soul with a huge heart. He could talk to anyone about anything and that allowed him to touch so many lives in his time with us. He will be deeply missed by all. He will be lovingly remembered by his parents, Marvin and Cynthia; his

brother Jason (Emily); niece Kennedy Menken; as well as numerous relatives and friends. Kyle was preceded in death by his grandparents, Tina and Menno Menken, and Shirley and Donald Moe.

A funeral will be held at St. Phillip the Deacon Lutheran Church (17205 County Rd 6, Plymouth, MN 55447) on Saturday, December 3rd at 11:00 am. There will be a viewing starting at 10:00 am as well as coffee and snacks following the service. All are welcome to come celebrate Kyle's life.
Live Stream Link <http://spdlc.org/livestream>

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Cemetery (Minneapolis)

3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip the Deacon Lutheran Church
17205 Co. Rd. 6
Plymouth, MN 55447

Church Service

DEC 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ We are so lucky to have had Kyle in our lives, even if it was only for a short time. We have so many memories of beautiful firework shows, dinners with a lot of laughter, and engaging conversations about the health care industry! Kyle was such a gifted person - gifted in language (that he definitely transferred to the language of medicine!) and gifted in human connection. We know we were lucky to know him and we will miss him. Amy and Pat

Amy Pittenger - November 30, 2022 at 04:28 PM

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“ Love Amy and Pat purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Mr. Kyle Marvin Menken.



Love Amy and Pat - November 30, 2022 at 04:23 PM