



## Michael Taber

October 26, 2011

Taber, Michael K. Age 38, of Hopkins, unexpectedly passed away Oct. 22, 2011. Mike was cherished and much loved by his family and many friends. Graduate of Benilde- St. Margaret's in 1991. He was manager of The Boston Garden restaurant and became the Garden's heart and soul, knowing his customers by name and they his. He was personable and treated his customers with humor and respect. His humor and his spirit will live on in the hearts of his family and friends. He is survived by his parents, Bruce and Arlene; his brothers Bruce (Cathy), David (Kathleen), and Mark; his niece Danielle Rae and his nephews Nicholas and Emery; his uncle Jim (Rose Marie) Ripka and his aunt Jan (Bill) Lubov; and his cousins and friends. Funeral Mass at St. Joseph's Church of Hopkins, Thursday, Oct. 27 at 10:30 AM with visitation at the church at 9:30AM. Also, visitation at Washburn-McReavy, Strobeck Johnson Chapel of Hopkins from 5-8 PM, Wednesday, Oct. 26. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred. Washburn-McReavy Strobeck Johnson Chapel 952-938-9020 1400 Mainstreet, Hopkins

# Tribute Wall

KA

“ *My thoughts are with Taber family today. Still thinking of you daily LM.*

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*kat,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**kat** - May 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ We put flowers on your grave today and the gravestone is in. For anyone who is interested in visiting, here are the directions to St. Margaret's cemetery: Go south on Shady Oak Rd from Excelsior blvd, turn left just after the Scoreboard restaurant (Bren rd), then turn into the cemetery. Mike's near the first right turn in the cemetery. Just go down from the cross toward the road, black gravestone. Miss you Mike. Love, Dad & Mom

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*bruce taber,*

*mtka, Minnesota*

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**bruce taber** - May 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ We are sad to hear about Mike's passing. We will miss seeing him at Boston. He always made you feel welcome He made it a point to come over and say hi and shoot the breeze with you. You will be greatly missed Mike.Love Laurie & Scott McSpadden

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*Laurie McSpadden,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Laurie McSpadden** - April 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Bruce, Arlene and the Taber Family, We just learned of Michael's passing in the BSM Crown and Shield and wanted to express our deepest sympathy. I believe my dad Jim Ryan had some of your boys in class at Benilde. And I believe my mom Rose Mayers Ryan is a relative of Arlene's. I recall a summer day when your family came to our place on Green Lake near Chisago City. My sister Martha was in David's class and I graduated in 85'. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Jim, Rose Ryan and Family

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Ruth Ryan Sullivan,

St. Paul, Minnesota

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Ruth Ryan Sullivan - April 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We just found out on Saturday, and to say the least were very sad to hear. He was the first person we met when we moved to Hopkins, and was immediately a friend to us. We will miss his smile & fun loving nature very much! Forever in our hearts!.....Joe & Kelly

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April 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to thank everyone that wrote in to this memorial for keeping Mikes memory alive. I know Mike lives in all of our hearts and that we miss him greatly. Rest in peace my bro. I love you.....Mark

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March 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Attended Mass at St. Therese today with my brothers, Bruce and Mark (and my son Emery). The Mass was requested in Mike's honor, by longtime family friends, the Kretsch's. It had been a long time since the 4 Taber boys were all in church together. Awesome.

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*Dave Taber,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Dave Taber** - February 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Hey Mike, it's getting a little easier in accepting you are gone, but I feel especially bad for your family whom misses you so dearly. When I point up to the sky and I feel that you are watching us in the small town of Hopkins, I feel comforted my friend. Forever North Stars Mike!

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*Mike Rendahl,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Mike Rendahl** - February 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Mike, I think of you everyday, and most of the day. I imagine your spirit next to me and I pray for your rest in heaven. I often think of our buddies with you up there and hope you watch over us as we remember you. Everyone missed you so much at the family birthday dinner. Love you bro....

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*Mark Taber,*

*Mtka, Minnesota*

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**Mark Taber** - February 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Happy 39th brother! Many people are celebrating your life today. Forever in my heart.

~

*Bruce*

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February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Michael, "I have known many, and liked not a few, but loved only one and this toast is to you." You were always fond of that one. Happy Birthday, Bro. Love ya, Foltzy

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February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dearest Michael, You would be 39 yrs old today. We miss you so - no coffeecake today. Celebrate in heaven and may your soul rest in peace. Love always, Mom & Dad

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February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Celebrating your life and soul today Mike! I missed you so much on my visit. love you-chelle

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February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ With your birthday coming up (Feb. 3rd), you have been in my thoughts quite a bit. I really miss you Mike. I love you brother, and will see you again someday. Brother Dave

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January 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Please keep Mike's beautiful soul in your prayers. Thank you for prayers. Mike's Mom & Dad

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January 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Well it's 2012 and I can't believe we will be starting a new year without you here! I still think about you everyday. Missing you very much Mike!

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January 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ You've inspired my new year's resolution. Keeping your family in my prayers.

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January 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Dear Mike, apparently I'm the last to know. I asked Felix tonight where you were and was blindsided when I heard the news. Almost 2 months have passed since I last saw you, it's hard to believe that you are gone and I think I am going to have a hard time accepting that. I'm touched to see all the friends and family that you have and can only imagine how hard the loss must be for them. What I liked most about you was your personal genuine, down to earth quality; you always had great connection with people and I always appreciated that most. Even though I only knew you at Boston Garden, I always considered you a friend. My sympathies to your parents, brothers and other family members who struggle each day with your loss. I'll miss you brother, say hi to Frank and remember we always like to split an order of ravioli and a sub club.

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*Mike Rendahl,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

## Contact Me

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Mike Rendahl - December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I think about you all the time, Bro. My first birthday without you and a part of me is missing. I would always have to call you today (because you'd always forget) but that is how important you are to me. My sister (who always knew what a great person you were, too) gave me this passage for comfort: "...whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me - practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you." I thought of you so much in Africa, and I know you were there with me. I know you are with me wherever I go. Thank you for being such a good friend - always.

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December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dearest Michael, Our first holiday without you--there are no words. I trust our Lord Jesus Christ to hold you in His never-ending, everlasting love. All my love and prayers, Mom

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November 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ I walked into Boston Garden today 11/21/11 and heard the very sad news that Mike had suddenly passed away. I was so sorry to hear that. His infectious smile and great personality will be so missed at BG. Hopkins has also lost a great person - My thoughts and prayers are with his family and all the lives that Mike touched. Rest in Peace, my chef! Regina and Gary Aiken

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*Regina Aiken,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Regina Aiken** - November 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Michael, There's a new movie out, one that you and I would have seen together. It's "The Immortals", one of those fantasy flicks that we would have enjoyed together. As usual, I would have picked you up at your house on your day off, a stop at McDonald's for a burger, and then to Eden Prairie and the movie. Miss you son, Da

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November 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ I worked with Mike every Wednesday for the last four years, before I left for school out west, and I'd say we made a pretty damn fine team. I know that Mike would agree. Of all of the reasons to visit the Boston Garden, Mike was the funniest, humblest, and most compassionate. He knew how to cook, how to laugh, and he allowed his personality to extend much farther than the bearings of the restaurant. The conversations that we had together we're timeless, as we were both men of culture. Our relationship will exist indefinitely in the music that he gave to me over our years together, and to be able to tear up when I listen to an album that reminds me of Mike truly is a gift, as memories always remain. My condolences to his family; You know this above anyone else, but just looking at this message board it's obvious that Mike Taber was the best of men.

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*Edward Jones,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Edward Jones** - November 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Saw someone that could have been your twin the other day and before I could stop myself I yelled out your name. We haven't talked a whole lot over the last 2 years but you were always on my mind. Wish I could get just one more of your fabulous hugs! Miss you Mike!*

~

*Koren*

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November 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *my heart goes out to the family of mike, a special guy who touched so many lives in so many ways...*

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*jessica fahey,*

*hopkins, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**jessica fahey** - November 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ You will forever be in my heart....

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November 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey pal, I really miss you. Love you.

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Cassie,

Mpls, Minnesota

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**Cassie** - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Mike - You were a great guy. I loved working with you. And I'll Miss you a lot.

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*Curtis Magdal,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

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**Curtis Magdal** - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“mikey, its been 9 days and it aint getting any easier! i miss everything about you. God Bless your fine brothers, without whom these last 9 days would have been unbearable, ill miss our "wrestling matches" on the front lawn although i outweigh you by a 140. forever your friend!josh

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*Josh Hastad,*

*mtka, Minnesota*

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**Josh Hastad** - November 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Missing you*

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*Mudd Foot*

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October 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NH

“*Bruce and Arlene, my heart goes out to your family for your loss, and my thoughts and prayers are with you. There never seems to be the right words for times like this, so I can only say I'm so sorry for your loss - beyond words. I can see from the pages and pages of posts that Mike was an incredible person.*

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*Nancy Hassett,*

*Big Lake, Minnesota*

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**Nancy Hassett** - October 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Taber, You are the greatest person I have ever had the privilege of knowing. We had a lot of great times together and you will be missed dearly. I miss you Bro!*

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*Mike Woodstrom,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Mike Woodstrom** - October 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Our sincerest condolences go out to the Taber family and all his friends. We've lived in Hopkins the past 9 years and have been going to Boston Garden, or as its known as in our house, "Mike's Place" for most of those years. The food is always great, but it was Mike and his awesome personality that kept us going back more than anything. He was such a great guy. He'd say hi to me every time he saw me running by or if my family was out on a walk he'd coming running outside to greet my daughter with a cookie. He was really a special guy and will be missed greatly.

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*Darik Aho,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Darik Aho** - October 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ I can't stop thinking of you!reading all the wonderful things people are writing just makes me laugh,cry & remember all the times we spent at tavern or meetin in street between mainstreets & tavern when I had 2 work.u always made my day lil easier after a hug,silly joke,just saying how much you loved me!u completely touched me as well as too many to count!forever in my memories are not enough but will have to suffice.til we meetagain love you more LM

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KS,

*hopkins, Minnesota*

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KS - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *To the Taber family: my eternal thanks for sharing Mike with me. He was my best friend.*

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*Michael Foltz,*

*San Diego, California*

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**Michael Foltz** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VE

“ Even though I hadn't talked to you in twenty years, I can still see that white turtleneck, smell the endless sticks of chewing gum and hear your infectious laugh. I'm glad I got to know you so well in high school, and I'm sorry we didn't stay in touch in the decades that followed. I miss you.

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Vegas,

*Rochester, Minnesota*

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**Vegas** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *Being all together this week to remember you was so hard, Mike. It wasn't the same to be in Minnesota and not see your smiling face and feel your hug. I keep remembering all the fun we had when we were little...Kristen and I loved you (and picked on you) like the big brother we never had. You were an awesome cousin. Rest in peace.*

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*Megaleemoo,*

*Chantilly, Virginia*

*Contact Me*

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**Megaleemoo** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Bruce, Cathy, Dani, and Nick, our most heartfelt condolences at the loss of Mike. The outpouring of love and support for all the Tabers shows what a positive effect Mike and your whole family has had on those of us blessed to know the Tabers. The measure of a family is the lives you have touched. My longtime friend, we are all the richer for having the Taber family in our lives. Love,, prayers and sympathy.

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*Tom, Carla, Patrick, Becca Sweeney,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Tom, Carla, Patrick, Becca Sweeney** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Bruce and Arlene, please except our sincerest condolences. Mike and Seth were good friends while attending Benilde St. Margaret's High School. I will always remember his smile and his wonderful "Hats". I used to call him "The Hat Man" very fondly. God Bless you and his spirit.

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*Donald and Elease Potter,*

*Las Vegas, Nevada*

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**Donald and Elease Potter** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Mike had such a beautiful and glowing spirit. I've known him for years as a patron of Boston Garden and a Hopkins native. I thank him for standing up for my honor and always being supportive of my twins and I. God got another angel. Rest in peace, Mike! Blessings to the Taber family.

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*Danae Curtis,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

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**Danae Curtis** - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“*Bruce, as your longtime friend I was moved by both the love you showed this week for your Brother and the courage you showed as you faced your loss. However difficult it is, try and celebrate the deepness of your love for him and know too that there are many friends like myself behind you in support as you grieve your loss. Peace old buddy, you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

~

*Bob Ruff,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

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**Bob Ruff** - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Mike's family. He had such a contagious smile and always gave me a big hug whenever I would see him. He will be greatly missed by all.*

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*Kyleen Quinn Lea,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Kyleen Quinn Lea** - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *The only thing bigger than Mikes smile was his heart.*

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October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Mike was my best friend growing up. We spent just about every day together making our way through Junior High and High School. Mike will always be one of the very few people who made me genuinely laugh - something I prize above all else. His sense of humor grew from challenges in life and was a constant reminder that no matter what happened, he could put it in perspective. I would not be the person I am today if it weren't for the years I was lucky enough to spend with Mike. I thank him for all the laughs, all the serious moments, all the trials and tribulations that we faced together and apart. My experiences with Mike will always be with me, reflected in my actions, thanks to the honor of knowing such a talented person.

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*Dan Donovan,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

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**Dan Donovan** - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ We all feel the sadness over the loss of Mike...His smiles and cookies for my daughters made us all want to keep comin back to spaghetti night. You will be missed...thanks for all you shared with us. Sandy and the Stages Staff

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*Sandy Boren-Barrett,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Sandy Boren-Barrett** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *i worked with Mikey nearly twenty years ago at the garden. i always enjoyed working the trenches with Mikey. You were a treasure and will be surly missed, take care on your new journey little brother, and may the great spirit watch over your family in this time of grieving.*

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*t bear.*

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October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *Mikey, you always brought a smile to my face and made me laugh. You always made everyone smile no matter where you went. You have everyone's respect, because we all looked up to you. With all my heart and prayers to you and your family. With our Love.*

~

*Jeff Nolden,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Jeff Nolden** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathies go out to the entire Taber family, especially Dave and Kathleen. We will keep you in our hearts and prayers. Dan and Whitney Hauser*

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October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Bruce & Arlene: Please accept our condolences on Michael's death. Jeri Nelson emailed me & called me also to let me know. Jim, my brother; had a stroke 10/1/2011 or there abouts & has been staying at our home. He sends his condolences also. Our prayers are with the entire family. Janet (Taber) & Lenny Doroff & Jim Taber

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*Janet Doroff,*

*Long Prairie, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Janet Doroff** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *RIP Mike. Everytime I saw you at the tavern you made me smile.  
Thoughts and prayers to your family.*

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*Jen Johnson,*

*Bloomington, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Jen Johnson** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Mike, I worked with you in what turned out to be my very first job over twenty years ago. Through that time you were always just as nice to me as the first time we met. When I would bring my Grandma in to Boston Garden you always made her feel like a VIP and she still speaks of you fondly. You will be greatly missed buddy.

~

*Joe Curtis,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Joe Curtis** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Mikey, we will miss throwing wood over the fence and smelling your fires. You were a good friend and neighbor. The neighborhood will never be the same. We love you Mikey. Rest in peace.*

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*Tod & Kris,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Tod & Kris** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Taber family. What an incredible young man Mike was...the legacy he leaves behind is the example he demonstrated daily as he related to all those around him...joy and grace. He blessed everyone he encountered!*

~

*Bonnie Clawson*

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October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Mike, been thinking of you a lot the last few days... such a sweetheart... always nice to see you when I rolled back into town, you will be missed.

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*Gina Georgiev,*

*Wichita, Kansas*

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**Gina Georgiev** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Mike, it pains me greatly to know I'll never see your smiling face again. I wish I could have one last hug. You always gave the best hugs. I will miss you, I will miss your laugh. I love ya pal.

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*Cassie Piela,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Cassie Piela** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

K(

“ *mike taber, you are gone and the world is a little less bright. i loved working with you at the garden. you were always so nice, and funny!! i remember how you used to literally wrap your entire face and head in plastic wrap, leaving only holes for your nose, before having to dice all the onions. you looked completely ridiculous but it made me laugh every time! you always made me the best tuna, bacon and provelone and pickle sandwiches for me. you will be missed very much.to mike's family: i am so sorry that you are going thru this. as a parent myself, i will say that i cannot imagine the pain of having to deal with the death of a son. my thoughts are with you.*

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*krista townsend (barry),*

*fort collins (hopkins), Colorado*

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**krista townsend (barry)** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ I will miss you little buddy.

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*Gary Wolter,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Gary Wolter** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Mark and family, I was shocked to hear the news. I just spoke with him a few weeks ago - the first time in years. Mark, he still spoke of you as his hero; the big brother whose path he desired with all his heart to follow. Mike, my brother, may you enjoy never-ending peace and joy.*

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*Murray Blackman,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Murray Blackman** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mike was like no other. He was a super funny guy in HS, and I enjoyed being with him. I went to a dance with him sophomore year. What a fun person! He will be missed by many.

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*Becky Kellen Trujillo,*

*Loretto, Minnesota*

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**Becky Kellen Trujillo** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Heartfelt condolences to the Taber family. Mikey is missed by all.  
Rest in peace bud.

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*Tom Lyons,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Tom Lyons** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *My deepest condolences to the Taber family and all of his friends. He will be missed very much. Rest in Peace Mike.*

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*Susan Martinson,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Susan Martinson** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was sad to hear about Michael's passing. Keep the memories close to your heart as he will be with you always in spirit. Carol (Haskamp) Jones*

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October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

M(

“ Dear Taber Family, My deepest sympathy to your family. Mikey was such a fun, exuberant person that instantly rubbed off on you. If you weren't having a great day he could change that instantly with his smile and warmth. He will be missed. (previous co-worker)

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*Mollie (Gustafson) Barnes,*

*(Minnetonka) Burnsville, Minnesota*

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**Mollie (Gustafson) Barnes** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Mike, I miss you very much and I am so proud to have known you. Your presence will always be felt wherever friendship, kindness, and love is found.

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*Kevin Wick,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Kevin Wick** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CP

“Mike, I miss you pal. It pains me greatly to know I'll never see your smiling face again. We shared many good times and I miss your laugh. If I could only have one last hug. You gave the best hugs. You will always have a place in my heart. And dude, he plays the french horn not the trumpet. Love you mike.

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*Cassie Piela,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Cassie Piela** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Mike will be clearly missed. Going back into Hopkins you could always count on one thing and that was Mike's great smile and conversation.

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*Steve Smith,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

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**Steve Smith** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *My deepest sympathy goes to all of Mike's family and friends. I only knew Mike for a couple years, but I believe that he was the true heart and soul of Boston Garden. He would always have a smile on his face and would welcome me by name whenever I would stop by to pick up a pizza. He even poked his head out of the restaurant one day when my wife and I were taking a walk just to say Hi to us. His kindness meant a lot. Thanks for the great memories and we will miss you!*

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*Brian Hunke,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Brian Hunke** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *My sincere condolences go out to the Taber family. Mike always greeted me with a hand shake and a smile, whether on the street or at the BG restaurant. He was a good man and will be missed!*

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*Steve Nathe,*

*St Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Steve Nathe** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *My condolences to all of Mikey's family and friends. May your wonderful memories bring some peace and comfort.*

~

*Jackie Allman,*

*formerly from Hopkins*

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**Jackie Allman** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Taber - You touched the lives of so many people, including mine. You will be missed by many, my friend. It's a blessing to know we have another angel looking out for us. Thoughts and prayers to the Taber family.*

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*Steph Rasmussen,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Steph Rasmussen** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ To Mikes family, I can not imagine the shock and pain of loosing this Mike, a friend to everyone he met. He made me leaugh so. I had the best time with him whenever he helped me replace a lightbulb at Lillian's because I was too afraid of the ladder, or knee deep in snow trying to shovel the sidewalks together. He always made me the best tuna sub, and always made my day a better day for having justed chatted with him. To me he was Hopkins and I will miss him so much!

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*Sherry Evans,*

*Maple Grove, Minnesota*

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**Sherry Evans** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Michael, This is day four and it is not getting any easier. As I sit at my computer with eyes filled with tears and can hardly swallow, I look at all these thoughts and kind words about you and see you so clearly in them. You have added so much to my life and memories won't replace that but they will have to do. I love you brother, until we meet again..... Your brother always, Bruce*

~

*Bruce Taber,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Bruce Taber** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ My deepest condolences to the Taber family. The fact that I only knew Mikey for about 7 years, and my sadness about his passing is so great, makes me realize what a special person we all have lost. Mikey was so much more than just a nice guy! He truly touched so many lives in such a beautiful way. My SubClub from BG will never taste the same again. Where else am I going to get a free brownie with my meal? I love and miss you so much, you will never be forgotten! xoxo

~

*Michelle Lauko,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Michelle Lauko** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ We're very sorry to hear about Mike. He was always incredibly kind and thoughtful to everyone. Having Mike next door to my office was always a positive experience and he will be missed by all around town and everyone he interacted with outside of work. Our prayers go out to the Taber family when words can't come close to expressing our sympathy. The Rolfs

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*Kurt Rolf,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

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**Kurt Rolf** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TU

“ Ah Mike the news blew me away. Have not seen you for quite a while but I can vividly remember you and I laughing till we cried during good old BSM study halls. Looking forward to meeting up again one day... Eternal peace to you and prayers for comfort and peace for your family....

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*Tuttle,*

*Apple Valley, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Tuttle** - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dave and Kathleen, My deepest sympathy in your great loss. He was much to young. My prays are with the Tabor Family. Your old co-worker at Boston Garden Helen M Hansen Aitkin,Mn*

*Contact Me*

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October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Spent much of the last few days remembering all of the days Mike and I spent as kids together. I'll never forget his incredibly neat bedroom (you could bounce a quarter off his bed), his Garfield books, and his infectious sense of humor. My family's thoughts and prayers are with his whole family, and his friends.

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*Andy Haeg,*

*St. Paul, Minnesota*

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**Andy Haeg** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Oh Mike, it has been years since I have seen you but can still hear your voice and laughter so clearly. You were always such a joy to be around and made coming to work sooo easy. You will be greatly missed. God Bless you and your Family. Chrissy Jorgenson (Schmidt)

~

*Chrissy Jorgenson,*

*Zimmerman, Minnesota*

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**Chrissy Jorgenson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ I adored Mike. He was a special guy who always had a smile and kind words. When my mother passed last December, he was so supportive to our family and especially my father. We on earth will miss his spirit but heaven will have a kind and compassionate addition. Rest in peace "Spaghetti Mike".

~

*Debra Wolcott,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Debra Wolcott** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ I only knew him as Mike from Boston Garden, he was such a nice man and always had a big smile for me when I stopped by. My prayers and sympathy to all who knew him and loved him. I know he will be missed.

~

*Katie Peterson,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Katie Peterson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Mike. My Boston Garden/Subway brother and friend. You affected so many people in a positive way, there may not be enough room in this guest book for the entries from the people you've touched. That includes everyone in my family. It won't be the same to go into Boston Garden and not see your cheerful face. But, the memories you leave will put a smile on my face when I go to the place where we first met. My sympathies and thoughts to your entire family. Kari Annoni and Family

~

*Kari Annoni,*

*Mound, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

**Kari Annoni** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *My deepest condolences to the Taber family. I'm so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

~

*Michelle & Adam (Kemp) Anderson,*

*Savage, Minnesota*

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**Michelle & Adam (Kemp) Anderson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *Many of my high school memories are filled with Mike. He always added a smile to my face. He was a good friend and always easy to talk with. Our prayers are with the Taber family.*

~

*Erin (Rich) Cashin-DiPrima,*

*Long Lake, Minnesota*

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**Erin (Rich) Cashin-DiPrima** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Kathy and Bruce and Family, Our hearts go out to you all. You are all loved by us. Tony, Sally, Frankie and Katie Heard.*

~

*Sally Heard,*

*Chanhassen, Minnesota*

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**Sally Heard** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ You always called me your favorite niece... even though I was your only niece I still take that as a compliment. I love you so much Uncle Mike. Words cannot describe how I feel right now. I am so thankful we were so close. Love you forever and ever.

~

*Dani Taber,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Dani Taber** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

K(

“ *My little Mikey, love you forever!!! My mind is flooding with all of the memories, lots of fun times. Thank you for being you. I hope you are looking down and seeing how loved you were.*

~

*Katie Hoehn (Nilson),*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Katie Hoehn (Nilson)** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *My brother I will miss you so very very much. I can't imagine the world without you. I will walk with your spirit all of my days. Love, Mark*

~

*Mark Taber,*

*Mtka, Minnesota*

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**Mark Taber** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *Taber Family - My deepest condolences for your loss... much too young, much too soon!*

~

*Libby Rydell,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Libby Rydell** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“*Taber, I love you so much. Working at the BG with you for 4 years was so great. I loved all the fun we had together you, me, mel, and mandi we had some great times. I just loved your laugh, sense of humor, and that crazy dance you would always do for me. "ONE OF A KIND YOu Where" :) My mom will miss you to, you two worked together for 13 years and became great friends. You will be deeply missed my friend. Keep my sister company up there and make her smile. I pray for your family as I know what they are going through having lost my sister two and half weeks ago. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Love you Taber! :)*

~

*Kattie McAnally,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Kattie McAnally** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

UM

“ You left too soon Michael aka Micky! So many friends, so many wonderful comments! We all remember your smiling face and outgoing personality. Sorry we missed the cheese bread, onion rings and free cookies. God bless you!

~

*Uncle Jim & Aunt Rose Marie,*

*Cary, North Carolina*

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**Uncle Jim & Aunt Rose Marie** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Taber family - I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences extend to all who've posted here...all those who loved Mike. I saw him only intermittently over the past few years, but I was always met with a smile and a kind word. Rest in Peace.*

~

CB,

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

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CB - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and Prayers. Mikey was one of a kind. Whenever I saw him I was always greeted with his huge grin, a hug and a “Hi”.He will be missed, but very much remembered.May your memories of Mike help you during this difficult time.

~

*Theresa Sydness,*

*St Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Theresa Sydness** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ I was sorry to hear about Mikey. He was a fun guy to be around who had a great smile, a mischievous sparkle in his eye and a generous spirit. He will be missed by everyone. My deepest sympathy to the family.

~

*Valerie Luebke,*

*Chanhassen, Minnesota*

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**Valerie Luebke** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *My heartfelt prayers go out to Mike's family. I realize now that Mike made everyone feel special, not just me :) What a good guy with a great big heart. You will surely be missed dear friend!*

~

*Liesa Sanya,*

*Chanhassen, Minnesota*

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**Liesa Sanya** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *My deepest sympathy to Mike's family and friends. Mike was always the kindest and warmest person to be around. He always had a smile and a good word for everyone. Mike was truly one of a kind. He will be missed.*

~

*Danielle Grant,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Danielle Grant** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Being "business" neighbors of the Boston Garden for the last 12 years, we couldn't help but get to know Mike. What a treasure he was with his smile that lit up the place. He always had a kind word and we know that he will be deeply missed by Felix and Kristi and the rest of the Hopkins community. We'll never understand the "why" of what happened, but only feel the pain of the loss. Our hearts go to Mike's family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad, sad time.

~

*Angela & Mike Schatz,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Angela & Mike Schatz** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mike will be greatly missed. He was a great guy with always a smile on his face who we all met years ago from our Friday night Fish Frys at the Boston Garden. Louie, Karen, Larry, Naomi, Easy and Janice

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October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ I will sincerely miss Mike, his smiling face and wonderful hugs. My thoughts are with his family at this time. Hopkins just won't be the same.

~

*Melani,*

*Minnetonka*

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**Melani** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Mike always had a huge grin and it was always a treat to see him at Dave's house, The Tavern, or working with him way back when at the Garden. I'll always remember visiting Hopkins for the holiday, making the usual stop at the Tav, and running into Mike. I'm saddened that things won't be the same, but clearly every memory I have of Mike is him smiling and spreading his contagious laughter. Your friends and family miss you but will see you again. --Love to the Tabers--

~

*Emily Kearns,*

*Portland (Hopkins), Oregon*

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**Emily Kearns** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *My heartfelt sympathy and condolences to the Taber family! Mike was a gift to all of us, so thank you for him! The friendship, love, and brotherhood he showered on me, and all he met, was remarkable in its unique sincerity and genuineness. I am honored and blessed to have been one of his legions of friends (and the hugs, laughter and free onion rings that engendered)! His one of a kind warmth and spirit are irreplaceable and unforgettable. I love and miss him, and will take comfort in the many great times we shared. I am certain his beautiful soul is still out there creating joy and goodwill in his unmatched ways!*

~

*Greg Glarner,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

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**Greg Glarner** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *What a horrible loss for the world. I grew up with the kindness and humor that Mike shared with myself, my brother, all of our friends and family. He was a wonderful man who will be deeply missed.*

~

*Kate Donovan,*

*St. Paul, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Kate Donovan** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *My heartfelt sympathy to Mike's family & friends. He knew what I wanted as soon as I walked in the door of Boston Garden...once, maybe twice a year to visit my brother, Ed Hanlon His smile radiated and lit the place up. He'll be sorely missed. God-speed, Mike. Ann Marie Hanlon, Indianapolis, In.*

~

*Ann- Marie Hanlon,*

*Indianapolis, Indiana*

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**Ann- Marie Hanlon** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Mike was clearly a Hopkins treasure. His smile, kindness and gentle manner will be missed. I saw either a smile or onion rings when he was around. My thoughts and prayers go out to the Taber family.*

~

*Stacey Tupper,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Stacey Tupper** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ No matter how much time had passed, you always had a hug and a smile for an old friend. It seems Hopkins will be a whole different place without you. You are deeply missed. Thank you for your unconditional friendship, and your kind and generous heart. Rest peacefully my friend, until we meet again...

~

*Amie (Galbrecht) Berge,*

*Belle Plaine, Minnesota*

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**Amie (Galbrecht) Berge** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Sorry to hear about your passing Mike. I graduated high school with you and you always seemed like a really got-it-together guy to me. Rest in peace...

~

*Charlie S.,*

*Mpls, Minnesota*

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**Charlie S.** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Mike had ability to put a smile on anyones face, you will be greatly miss by everyone in our community. My condolences go out to the family, he will be remebered for his huge heart and smile!!!

~

*Michael Tait,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Michael Tait** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Taber, I would like you to know how deeply saddened I am to hear about Mikes passing. He was a very special person and although we havent kept in close contact for a period of time, whenever we saw each other it was as if nothing had changed. I cant imagine a better buddy to have grown up with than Mike. From cruising on big wheels to climbing trees and best of all, seeing what kind of pranks we could pull on his brothers. I will cherish the great memories and I will miss Mike terribly. I pray you are comforted by God's peace and healing during this time. Sincerely,*

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*Anne Techam-Larson,*

*St. Francis, Minnesota*

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**Anne Techam-Larson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ We were shocked when we heard the news of Mike's passing. We knew him from years of weekly dinners at Boston Garden. He was the heart & soul of that place; it won't be the same without him. Our condolences to Mike's family. May you find comfort in memories of love and laughter shared.

~

*Dave & Deb Roden,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Dave & Deb Roden** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ *It's amazing how a stranger can become a friend and affect your life. He will truly be missed, my thoughts go to his friends and family. Good Bye, Mike.*

~

*Nate,*

*Minnesota*

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**Nate** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *What a shock this is to all of us. Mike always had a smile on his face and a story to share! I would only go to Boston Garden to get his cheese bread! Man - He made the best cheese bread! Mikey, you will definately be missed I pray your journey to heaven was a peaceful one, you deserved a much better life than this world had to offer you! Gods Blessing to the family of Mike, My sincere condolences!*

~

*Dar Johnson,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Dar Johnson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Mike. He was a great guy. He will be missed.

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*Stephanie Millen,*

*Rockford, Minnesota*

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**Stephanie Millen** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *With deepest sympathy to Mikey's family. You always greeted us with a laugh and smile. You made us the greatest lasagna for our potluck dinners. Your smile will be greatly missed.*

~

*The Hopkins Antique Mall,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**The Hopkins Antique Mall** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Arlene and Bruce, and all the Taber family. We hope your memories of Mike will bring you comfort during this difficult time.

~

*Sharon and Bill Kemp,*

*St. Cloud, Minnesota*

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**Sharon and Bill Kemp** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *My deapest condolences to the Taber family. Mike will be missed very much. He was such a good guy! Stu and I will miss you Mikey Taber!!!Paul Larson*

~

*Paul Larson,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

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**Paul Larson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ We always looked forward to seeing Mike when we visit Minnesota and go to Boston Garden. "Boston" was OUR place in Hopkins, and we were welcomed there by Tabers for several years. We will miss Mike's smiling face and great cooking.

~

*Sharon & Jerry Heikkinen,*

*Sierra Vista, Arizona*

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**Sharon & Jerry Heikkinen** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ There are some things in life you never expect to happen for a while, and this is one of those. Mike was an amazing person. I've personally known Mike for over 25 years. He was family. He was a friend. He was one of the most genuine, kind-hearted people I've had the pleasure of having in my life. Whenever he entered a room or an event, the whole place became "alive", almost electric with his enthusiasm and positive nature. I'm truly so sad over this, and wish I could have seen him one last time. My sincerest condolences, prayers and sympathy to Arlene and Bruce, and the whole Taber family over this loss---Mike was a true gem, and will be missed by many.

~

*Rex Jacobsen,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Rex Jacobsen** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EH

“*Mikie was a true people person; loving, caring, kind and just plain fun. Hopkins has a huge void without him now. Mike had a way of making people feel important and especially so dear to our Hanlon clan. I both chuckle and cry when I think of how he always greeted me with a jovial yet respectful; "Hey boss man, Coke no ice?" followed by a firm handshake and a joke at times or even a hug. Our lives will always be enriched by the memories of this young man. Our heartfelt condolences and blessings to the Taber family and all his many friends.*

~

*Ed & Maureen Hanlon,*

*New Hope, Minnesota*

## Contact Me

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**Ed & Maureen Hanlon** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I only have fun-loving memories of Mike. As a close friend in high school, Mike was consistently beaming with cheer, a smile, and readily available to give a hug. He was a hugger! I loved that about him! Having Mike as a friend, was a blessing! Mr. and Mrs. Taber, you raised a great man! ~ Kelly O'Brien (Minneapolis, MN)*

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DT

“*And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.*” 1 John 5:11 *Thanks to all for your kind and powerful words. I miss my brother so much.*

~

*Dave Taber,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Dave Taber** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ While I didn't know him well, I always found Mike to be a great guy with a kind heart. May his soul rest in the peace of God!

~

*Bill Johnson,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Bill Johnson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *Tabes... You are going to be missed! Never go to Hopkins without stopping at the Garden or Tavern to see you! Cherish that I got to see you recently. I am sorry for your families loss! You will always be remembered for how you could make anyone smile! Your smile will live forever! oXoX*

~

*Amie Anderson,*

*Maple Lake, Minnesota*

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**Amie Anderson** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ I had a cancer benefit for my daughter and Mikey put together a wonderful donated tray of sandwiches and handed it to me with the biggest smile and love in his heart. That picture of caring will stay with me always.

~

*Barb Ziegler,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Barb Ziegler** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ You have and always remain in my heart and happy memories!!  
Love always!!

~

*Kim Goeman,*

*Chaska, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Kim Goeman** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I always looked forward to seeing Mikey and that beautiful smile. He had a good heart and was a kind soul. He made each day a lot brighter. You were a special man, Mikey. I'll miss you!

~

*Deb Rood,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Deb Rood** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *My prayers and thoughts go out to the Tabor family. Mikey was such a wonderful soul! What a great smile and warm heart! I will miss him dearly*

~

*Rachel Kansanback,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Rachel Kansanback** - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *always a big smile, and always a lot of fun...heaven is going to like Mike! we will miss him!*

~

*betsy walsh,*

*long beach, California*

*Contact Me*

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**betsy walsh** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *Very shocked to hear this news, great guy will be very missed. Loved chatting with you at Boston Garden. Thoughts and prayers , rest in peace.*

~

*Ryan Fowler,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Ryan Fowler** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *My heart goes out to the entire Taber family in the loss of dear Mike. Deepest sympathy to all of you. My Mom and I enjoyed weekly dinner dates at the Boston Garden - and were always greeted with a ready smile, heartfelt hello and and as my Mom would say, that twinkle in Mike's eye. He was our pal and he'll be deeply missed by the Williams clan. God Bless you all. We love you, Mike. We're comforted to know you're in heaven with the rest of the angels.*

~

*Janet Williams,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Janet Williams** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Cold hands, warm heart" you would alway say to me with a hug and a smile! May you rest peacefully! You will be missed!*

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Mike, I am going to miss your positive attitude and upbeat greetings every time I saw you. You always me and my family feel so welcomed and special whenever we returned home to the Boston Gah'den (Garden). You even included Shady in on the action with her own take home meatball. I was always amazed how you memorized all of our family members and extended family by name. For some reason I changed my route and ran by The Tavern on Thursday night on my way back from work. I was hoping to see you. I wish I could have given you one last big hug man. You are loved and will be missed.

~

*Patrick Hanlon,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Patrick Hanlon** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Forever in my heart! Always think of your tipped cup and laugh like 1st time saw u. Do it.silly,silly LM! I luv u 2 plz keep smiling cu again.Sympathy for all that knew youespecially family & godchild*

~

*KAT,*

*hopkins, Minnesota*

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**KAT** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Thanks Mikey for always sharing a smile. You will be truly missed. Thank you God for the time we had him in our lives. All my prayers for you and your family.

~

*Tom Davidson,*

*Tampa, Florida*

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**Tom Davidson** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family, we will miss you! Ken and Yvonne.

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the Taber family in this time of sadness. Mike was a very loving, warm-hearted and room brightening person. He was always there for not only me but my son as well many times over the years. He will always be in my heart and will always be loved! We are blessed to have him watching over us now. Love you Mike, XOXO.*

~

*Koren McGowan,*

*Edina, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Koren McGowan** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ I will always remember the Hugs and the laughs! I know you are making them all smile..RIP Mikey!!!!

~

*Renee Orlikowski,*

*Eagan, Minnesota*

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**Renee Orlikowski** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mike was a Hopkins staple and a face I always looked forward to seeing at BG. I will miss his positivity, his bad jokes, and his ability to always make me smile. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and all who knew him. This is a great loss for all who had the privilege of having Mikey in their life. His warmth touched the hearts of many.

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Hi, Mike is my god father. I will miss him. I hope you are in heaven looking over me. I love you. Love Ali

~

*Ali Rydeen,*

*Uvalde, Texas*

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**Ali Rydeen** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Mikey was one of kind. The day we moved in below Mikey, he welcomed us with open arms. I will always remember the taps he would give me on my shoulder. May you rest in peace my good friend. To The Taber Family.. May your tears quickly find there way to good memories. Thoughts and prayers to you all.*

~

*Tracy Stohl,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Tracy Stohl** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MO

“*Taber, I'll never forget all the wonderful times we shared, all the amazing things you've shown me, and how special you made me feel. You'll be deeply missed by so many! Sending lots of love to you and your family! Miss u buddy. Love, mookie*

~

*mandi osburn,*

*steamboat springs, Colorado*

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**mandi osburn** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Rest in Peace Mike. Thoughts and prayers go your friends and family at this difficult time.*

~

*Kristina Mohlin,*

*Lino Lakes, Minnesota*

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**Kristina Mohlin** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Our hearts go out to the Taber family. He touched our hearts in many ways. We were blessed to be able share are lives wih such a special person. He will be missed dearly.

~

*thomas and christina Hatcher,*

*hopkins, Minnesota*

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**thomas and christina Hatcher** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Mike was the most kind-hearted soul I ever met! I was blessed enough to live with Mike for 3 years. I know what a gentle and giving person he was. My deepest condolences to his mom and dad, his 3 great brothers, and the many nieces and nephews left to pick up the pieces.

~

*Josh Hastad,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Josh Hastad** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *My sympathies to all the Taber Family. I will miss seeing Mikey around town. Hopkins will not be the same without him around.*

~

*Amy Moore,*

*Richfield, Minnesota*

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**Amy Moore** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CE

“Mikey you were a wonderful soul and you will be missed greatly. My sympathies go out to Dave, Kathleen & Emery and the rest of the Taber family. So many wonderful memories. May you rest in peace my friend. Caryn Elder & Evan Steffey

~

*Caryn Elder,*

*Eden Prairie, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Caryn Elder** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ We are heart broken about the news that Mikey is gone. Every time Ric & I saw him he gave us both a big hug and smile! We send our sympathy to Mike's family. He will be missed terribly by us all.

~

*Ric & Nancy Renner,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Ric & Nancy Renner** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *I will miss your smile, your hugs and you always telling me that you loved me! I love you too! Who will give me free cookies now? I will never forget you! Rest in peace my dear friend!!!! xoxoxo*

~

*Deanna Dufner,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Deanna Dufner** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *My condolences to Kathleen, Dave and the rest of Coco's family. He was so fun to work with at the Garden back in the day. He will be missed and I'm sure he's making a lot of people laugh and smile up in heaven...*

~

*Mara Gollin-Garrett,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Mara Gollin-Garrett** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Great guy, great friend. I will miss your calls and hanging out with you all the time. The days will hollow without talking to ya. You were an awesome dude buddy. Loved ya. Miss ya.

~

*Chris Phillips,*

*Spring Park, Minnesota*

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**Chris Phillips** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ You will be missed mike

~

*nathan Randall,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**nathan Randall** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ For mike, you will be missed by many, i will miss seeing you in hopkins, always knowing its me when i called boston garden, and making the food there for so many of us, joking around and ur smile.. your in my prayers and your family is too.. god only knows why hes taking so many in such a short time!!. Xoxo farewell mike!!

~

*amy mcanally,*

*savage, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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amy mcanally - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mikey, I can't stop thinking of the last time we talked. I am changed forever. I miss you, I love you!* ”

~

*KT*

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mike's family. He was a very kind and wonderful friend! We will miss him very much! Hopkins will just not be the same town with him gone!*

~

*Mark & Kathy Hucka,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Mark & Kathy Hucka** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *My sympathies to all the Taber family. I'm really going to miss Mike - one of the kindest, most genuine people I've ever had the pleasure of knowing. Rest in peace my friend.*

~

*Sam Fahey,*

*St. Boni, Minnesota*

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**Sam Fahey** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ We'll miss ya Taber. Just won't be the same without you.

~

*Evan Murnan,*

*Columbia Heights, Minnesota*

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**Evan Murnan** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My condolences go out to the Taber family, and to those of us who called him friend. It's so sad to think he's gone; to think I won't see that sly smile; to think I won't get another genuine hug; to think I won't have an opportunity to get schooled on the pool table. Mikey - you were one of a kind and you will be sorely missed. I hope you're resting peacefully.

~

*Dana Western,*

*Chanhassen, Minnesota*

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**Dana Western** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *My heart is broken over this. Mike was not only one of my very best friends and favorite people....he was my daughters God Father. There is so much that I am going to miss about Mike, but thankfully I have so many good/funny memories to keep me smiling through the tears.I just hope and pray that he is now in a place of happiness and peace. Now, he is not only Ali's God Father.....but her Gaurdian Angel.*

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*Melissa,*

*Uvalde, Texas*

*Contact Me*

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**Melissa** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Our prayers and thoughts go out to the entire Taber family. I have such great memories of Mike and will miss him dearly. Mike, each time we visited MN we would stop in to see you and you always welcomed me and my family with a big smile and hug, along with some great conversation. My heart finds comfort in knowing you'll be waiting for all of us at the gates of heaven to welcome us home. With love, Michelle, Patrick, Becca, Bryce, and Kendra (who remembers YOU introducing her to the only ravioli she'll eat).

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*Michelle Hanlon-Borland,*

*Tampa, Florida*

*Contact Me*

**Michelle Hanlon-Borland** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ *mike u will be missed so very much by myself and my family! see ya when i see ya bud! my heart goes to your family.....until we meet again.*

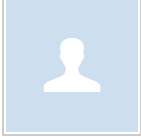
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*Dmitri VanValkenburg,*

*Bloomington, Minnesota*

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**Dmitri VanValkenburg** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I've been known to change peoples names, many years ago, Mike wanted to be called Jeb, he forever will be our Jeb. He always called me Luka. Always a smile and a hug for everyone. Our thoughts are with his family during this very sad time.

~

*Luka*

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I am truly sorry for your loss, Taber famiy. Mikey was one of the most memorable people in my life. He never hesitated to greet me with a smile and we shared a ton of laughs. I can't help but remember his love and generosity. He will be truly missed.

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*Tim Clemens,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Tim Clemens** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ *Such a sad day when such a kind soul passes. You will be missed by so many people. Rest in peace Mike.*

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*Heather Rende,*

*Crystal, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Heather Rende** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ I'll miss your smiling face and your friendship. May you rest in peace my friend.

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*Jeff Dulac,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Jeff Dulac** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Taber family..Mike you were such a sweetheart!! You will be missed so much--old neighbor!!  
*Jennifer Johnson Lindell and Ed, Sherry and Glenn Johnson.*

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October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Our sympathy to Mike's family. Mike will be missed. He was always such a sweetheart and had a smile on his face! Marcia & Mike Randall*

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*Marcia Randall,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

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**Marcia Randall** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ Thoughts and prayers to all of Mikeys friends and family. Miss you buddy. Cant believe this will be a final goodbye for a while Love ya Linnea, Nate and kids

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*Linnea,*

*olsen, Minnesota*

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**Linnea** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ As news of Mikey's passing has spread, I realize how many people's life he touched in the smallest way he seemed to make a big impact. Tears are shed now, but memories will be what is remembered. Love and prayers during this time to all of the Taber family.

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*Sarah Goeman,*

*Minnetonka, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Sarah Goeman** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ No words can describe the sadness we all feel. I loved you Mikey for your kind heart and beautiful smile. I take comfort you are free of pain and in better place. My condolences to the entire family. He was greatly loved by many.

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*Chrissy Bevins,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Chrissy Bevins** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Thinking of Mike's family during this difficult time. Mike you will truly be missed by many.

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*Joel and Jess Williams,*

*St Louis Pk, Minnesota*

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**Joel and Jess Williams** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ Miss u Mikey. Thoughts and prayers for all around. Love ya.

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*Linnea Olsen,*

*Minnesota*

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**Linnea Olsen** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
Much love to you all.*

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*Mark & Debbie Sutherland,*

*Apple Valley, Minnesota*

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**Mark & Debbie Sutherland** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Mikey was one of a kind..He will always be remembered as a dear friend to me, Rest in peace brother. Rachel*

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*Rachel Gustafson,*

*Rapid City, South Dakota*

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**Rachel Gustafson** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *My thoughts & prayers go to the family & friends of Mike. My heart is heavy & the memories of Mike are treasured. Mike was such an amazing spirit & will be missed by so so many. OxxO*

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*Amanda Campbell,*

*Saint Paul, Minnesota*

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**Amanda Campbell** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ I give my condolences to all of the Taber family. Mike was a very dear friend of mine all through out high school and after. I have many fond memories of him. I used to call me my Taber tot. I will miss him greatly and will never forgot all the good times I had with him. I love you my dear friend and will always remember you.

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*Carol (Peaches) Nelson-Schultz,*

*St. Louis Park, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Carol (Peaches) Nelson-Schultz** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Our condolences to the Taber family. Mike was a sweetheart and will be greatly missed. Love you all very much!*

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*Sarah Freed,*

*Hopkins, Minnesota*

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**Sarah Freed** - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM