



Monte Lynn Bocken

November 19, 1973 - February 11, 2021

Monte Lynn Bocken of Arden Hills, 47, left this earth on February 11, 2021 after fighting a courageous battle with Huntington's Disease (HD). We rejoice that he is now pain free and at peace in his heavenly home.

Preceded in death by his dad, Ronald Leroy Bocken; Uncle's Kenneth Bocken and Wayne Bocken; Aunt Kathy Navarro, all of whom battled HD. Also preceded in death by Uncle Daryl Navarro and Uncle Gene Rhoden.

Survived by his mom, Patricia Sue Bocken; sisters Melanie (Craig) Keillor and Mindy (Mike) Fitzgerald; nephews and nieces Sam, Coco, Benji, Dani, Ellie, and Eva; Aunt Sally (Don) Klosinski, Aunt Carol Bocken; and many Bocken and Rhoden cousins (Tod, Heather, Adam, Jay, Ashley, Brett, Tammy, Chris, Lisa, Dan).

Monte was a 1992 graduate of Mounds View High School. He received a Bachelor's degree from Arizona (ASU) while working for AmeriCorps in after-school programs. Monte fulfilled his dream of serving in the Peace Corps in Samoa; teaching, building water tanks, and assisting with sustainable farming alongside his Samoan family. He continued living abroad for a few more years, teaching in South Korea. He returned to MN to care for his dad and received a Master of Arts in Teaching from Hamline University. Most recently Monte served students with special needs in the Roseville and Mounds View schools.

No matter where he lived or traveled, he served people and was known for his giving, caring and compassionate soul. He was a friend to all, giving of himself

and sharing God's love. He will be greatly missed.

Memorial Service Saturday February 27, at 1:00pm (visitation 12-1) at Calvary Church, 2120 Lexington Avenue North, Roseville, MN. Memorials may be made to Huntington's Disease Society of America and Calvary Church. Arrangements managed through Holcomb Henry Boom Purcell Funeral Home, Shoreview.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ We will miss seeing Monte at church and RAHS. Thank you for your impact on us and our students.

Lauren & Ryan Fries - March 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Patti - I am so sorry to learn of your loss. You have had your share of sorrow these past years, but I hope the joy you had over the years with this child will remain forever in your special memories. - Susan

Susan Donahue - February 25, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My deepest condolences go out to Monte's family. I was blessed to be able to get to know Monte while attending support groups and fundraisers through HDSA. Monte always greeted everyone with a big smile and hug to match it. Monte always made me feel like I wasn't alone in the thoughts that surround HD. I wish so badly group was still meeting in person so I could tell Monte it was all going to be ok as he would always remind me of that. I will miss seeing Monte, but I know he will always be there looking over all of us. I pray you all can find peace in knowing he is in a better place. Much love, Darcy



Darcy Hawkins - February 25, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We are so sorry for your loss.
Sharing in your sadness as you remember
Monte. We are fortunate to have met him.
We hope you feel surrounded by much love.



Joakim, Katrin, Johan and Rebecka Cederlund - February 24, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss.

Candy Congleton - February 22, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Sending love and prayers for peace to all who
love and miss Monte.



Kristine Fesler - February 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ I am numb and saddened on Monte's passing. Patti, I am so sorry for your loss. I have known Monte for over twenty years as his next door neighbor and friend. He was such a caring, compassionate and humble individual. He will surely be missed by our entire neighborhood as well as everyone who knew him. Almost every other day, Monte would stop by in my garage and we would "shoot the breeze" on what was happening in our daily lives. He would talk about the special Ed kids at his schools as well as his experience in Samoa, teaching in South Korea and his past travel to Asia. He had cherished every moment of it. Monte, even though you are no longer here with us physically, your memories will always be here in our hearts. May You Rest In Peace, buddy.....

Vit & Shahnaz - February 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ My deepest condolences to Monte's family. I am so sorry for your loss. Monte and I were Kindergarten-2nd grade buddies. He would come over to our house every morning before afternoon Kindergarten and I have such fond memories of watching morning cartoons, building blanket forts, and jumping on beds together with Monte. May he Rest In Peace.

Jennifer - February 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ I met Monte thru Roseville schools I help the special Ed students to there sports. Monte came to every game, he made sure to to get to know every kid on the team. He would sit on the sideline with me and we would cheer the kids on. The kids loved seeing him. We had a game in ST.Cloud I told the kids we won't have many fans. It's a week day in the middle of rush hour not many parents would even do that hike. When we got there Monte had made the drive to cheer the team on. I also worked at many regular sporting events for Roseville Monte was at almost every game always ready to cheer the Roseville team on. I will greatly miss seeing him around he truly did care about every student he met. We really did become friends watching the sports game. Rest In Peace Monte will miss you on the side lines.

Luann Landkamer - February 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Condolences from the Swart family. I'm the youngest son of Roger and Susan Swart (Ordyna)

Prayers for peace and love.

Mike Swart & Family - February 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ So sorry for your loss!

I was a college roommate and basketball teammate of Monte.

He would give the shirt off of his back for anyone! He deeply cared for others !



Cory Nuest - February 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Patty, I am so sorry for your loss. Please give my love to your girls. Lots of memories. Hugs and prayers!*

Diane Apple - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Monte was such a kind man, and we will miss his kind presence within our Huntington's Disease Minnesota Community. I will always think of him as generous, appreciative and selfless. Every time I saw Monte, he always greeted me with a big hug and thanked me for helping HD families. Monte always offered to help me set up for support meetings, or carry materials. He LOVED his family dearly and my heart is with you as we all grieve the great loss that this is.*



Jessica Marsolek - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *I am extremely fortunate to have had Monte as my closest friend, more like a brother, throughout my life. Although he will be missed greatly, we must also celebrate the loving, caring, selfless, and compassionate life Monte lived. Rest In Peace my brother.*



Samir Suri - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *May God hold you all by your right hands.
(Psalm 73:23)*

Michael P Graham - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ It was an honor to call Monte my friend ever since I met him about 6 years ago. He was kind, quiet, and always ready with a smile, greeting or huge hug. There is no doubt in my mind that Monte is in heaven and knew his Savior, Jesus Christ. He had a heart of gold, and a caring spirit. I believe Monte has found true peace walking the golden streets of heaven.

Arlene Telke - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Bocken family, Monte was a fabulous person. Glad we were able to know him!

Denise and Joe Arel - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ To Patti and Family...I am so sorry for your loss. I will pray that you and your family find peace

Diana Strauss - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ I am so deeply sorry for your loss. My heart is broken as I remember Monte as that sweet red haired little boy with the quick smile. I didn't know him as the man he became, but heard of his life of being Jesus to the world. I know your faith will support you during this incredibly sad time. And know I am praying for you all every day. Love to my Bocken Family who I cherish, now and forever.

Paula Brill - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM