



David Albert Rothenbury

October 17, 1964 - April 25, 2020

In memory of David (Dave) Albert Rothenbury, October 17, 1964 – April 25, 2020

It is with unspeakable sadness that we mourn the loss of David Albert Rothenbury, in his 56th year. Dave spent his early years in Sarnia, ON attending Central and Northern Collegiates. He was well known on the Sarnia high school sports scene and was awarded Athlete of the Year twice while attending Northern. Dave excelled at football, basketball, rugby and held the SWOSA record for discus throwing for many, many years eventually handing it off to an athlete who would go on to compete in the International Olympics. He played competitive rugby in Sarnia and Ottawa and represented Eastern Ontario. His Sarnia friends will fondly remember him by his nickname 'Rocko' and endearingly called him a 'gentle giant'. In later years he competed in many Masters tournaments for the throwing events in Texas and other states. He also coached up and coming young athletes. Dave obtained his P. Eng in Mechanical Engineering after attending Algonquin College in Ottawa, ON and then completing his degree at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, ON.

Dave's first career work was at the Bank of Canada in Ottawa, ON developing the newest anti counterfeit technology for Canadian currency. He was soon recruited by Texas Instruments in Dallas, TX. where he relocated and started a new and exciting career in the upcoming semi conductor industry. He met and married his best friend Beth Morgenroth and together they were raising their two sons Casey and Zach, living in Cedar Park, TX, a part of the Austin metropolitan area.

Dave will always be remembered for his quick easy wit and humour, his gentle and patient fathering of his much loved sons Casey and Zach, his logical intelligence, and his superb athleticism.

He is will be so sadly missed by his young sons Casey Cole and Zach Lane Rothenbury, his former wife and best friend Beth, his brother Dan and his wife Gourete and their four children, his Mom and Dad Marlene and Ray Rothenbury, his Aunt Kathryn Sullivan, uncle Bob and wife Leesa Sullivan, brothers'- in - law Kenneth and his wife Susie, Douglas and his wife Theresa Morgenroth and the many nieces and nephews living in the San Antonia, TX area, plus the many friends made through the years in Sarnia, Thunderbay and Ottawa, ON and Texas.

Condolences may be expressed to the family through www.centraltexascremation.com and if you chose, donations to the charity of your choice.

A Poem to my Sons

Speak of me as you have always done. Remember the good times, laughter and fun.
Share the happy memories we've made. Do not let them wither and fade.
I'll be with you in the summer's sun, And when the winter's chill has come.
I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze. I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.
I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep. But memories we've shared are yours to keep.
Sometimes our final days may be a test, But remember me when I was at my best.
Although things may not be the same, Don't be afraid to use my name.
Let your sorrow last for just a little while. Comfort each other and try to smile.
I've lived a life filled with joy and fun. Live on now, make me proud of what you've become.
Author, Anthony Dawson

Comments



“ I went to university with Dave in Thunder Bay and kept in touch for years after. I visited him in Austin and just recently tried to reach him again as I was thinking of him. I'm so saddened by this news. Condolences from his Lakehead friends.

Dan Hebert - May 11 at 10:26 PM



“ Dave was a member of the TI Track & Field Team for many years. He was a great team member. Dave was a serious competitor who never took himself too seriously. I always enjoyed his dry wit. A life well lived.



Paul Westbrook - May 05 at 12:11 PM



“ Great teammate and friend. He'll be so missed. We remained in touch. He had young sons and texted me videos of their sporting activities. Very proud papa.. May he rest in peace. Like Rio commented, "A STAND UP GUY"

Lonnie - May 09 at 09:05 PM



“ Notes from his friends at Texas Instruments

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I worked with Dave during his time in DMD thin film module. He was always happy and energetic, supporting our projects days, nights, and weekends too. He was critical to resolving off-state color problems which were prevalent at the time. He was always thinking and always offering suggestions, going out of his way to do so nicely and with a broad smile. I suppose you can take the man out of Canada, but not Canada out of the man. He is remembered fondly, and as others have said, he made permanent contributions to TI. Thank you for sharing him with us.

Josh Jacobs

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So sad to hear the news. Dave and I had worked together on DMD 200 mm conversion project for several memorable years. He will be missed.

Zeming Liu

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I'm sorry for everyone, I wish I had known him.

Sean O'Brien

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Very, very sad news. The reference to his folder shows what kind of person he was. I only worked with Dave for a few months, but before he left, he made that folder for me with all the important things he thought we would need or would have questions on after he left TI. He was so smart, helpful, nice, and always had a smile on his face, and I really enjoyed the short time we worked together. He will be missed.

Amy Anderson

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Wow, very sad news. When I joined TI as a co-op in 2005, he was assigned as my buddy so I worked with him for some time. I He taught me the F5 basics. Also, he taught me how to write SWRs in SMS, long before we had the web interface (that was painful). I was new to Texas and it was very nice of him to take me to the Mesquite Rodeo. At that time I had the pleasure to meet his wife Beth. They were a very nice couple.

He actually visited TI last year. I saw him in the Fab installing a tool near to where the JEOL used to be. Afterwards I talked to him for a bit in Jim's office. He was a very nice guy. May the good Lord have him in his glory.

Jose Martinez

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Dave was in DLP, I was with AMAT when we worked together in the 2000's, gentle giant indeed. He was always a pleasure to work with. Very sad to hear of his passing.

(Amy has folder a with some of his work that we still use to this day).

Toby Linder

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Dave was extremely thin film knowledgeable and a downright nice "big framed" gentlemen. He was fun to work with. May he rest in peace and may his family be comforted in this time of grief.

Tony Dicarlo

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I'm sure many of you have memories of Dave. I never knew him as a DLP employment but he was the first field service engineer that I dealt with from AMAT when I joined TI-SPL Fab (now DHC Fab) in 1990. In those days all AMAT employees wore white shirts and ties and Dave being the largest of them all could always be found at a distance. Dave would stay with me in the fab until I left each day. I'm sure he was afraid that I would break the tool while he was gone. I owe Dave and other early AMAT employees a great deal of thanks for getting me started in the industry. Dave left DLP just a month or two before I joined the group. But his imprint on thin films is still with us all these years later. Rest in peace, Dave.

Kelly Taylor

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“ I had a great time getting to know Dave when he first moved down to Texas and we were roommates for many years in the Dallas area. I very much enjoyed his wit and humor during our time together. It was great to meet his lovely mom and dad which explained a lot of his character. My heart goes out to his family. Rest in peace, Dave. Jeff Loewecke

Jeff - May 04 at 07:22 PM



“ It is hard to deal with this news. What a great guy... Dave worked hard, played hard, was an incredibly funny guy, and was always a pleasure to be around. I will always remember a work trip to Japan where we hung out together the entire time. I had made Dave an English Beat CD and have wanted to get him all of the related stuff I eventually collected, but had not crossed paths in a few years. Damn; peace my friend. RR

Ron Roth - May 04 at 12:36 PM



“ Our deepest condolences for the passing of Dave. We have so many great memories of him from rugby and university days. Dave was also in our wedding party and contributed to making our day special. We will miss his laugh and gentle demeanor...rest in peace Dave. Mark & Carol Jacques

C Jacques - May 04 at 09:30 AM



“ So very sad to learn of the death of David. We heard first from Kevin Stewart. then our Bryan did some research to validate the news and now it is in the paper. So very much sadness at this time and so many restrictions of what we can and cannot do. We are so sorry. I think we have lived in this same house too long as we are here to learn of the death of so many - those too young and those our age. David obviously has accomplished a great deal in his too short life. We do hope you are both well and will together help each other through this difficult time. In sympathy; "old" neighbors Douglas and Jean Doull

Douglas and Jean Doull - May 02 at 07:22 PM



“ Doug and Jean, thank you so much for reaching out. This is an unspeakable thing to have happened and we miss him terribly. We have such fond memories of all of our collective little ones playing in our neighbourhood. You both were such good neighbours. Take care and be well. Ray and Marlene

Marlene Rothenbury - May 19 at 09:19 PM