



Gunnar Jacobsen

January 25, 2022

Gunnar Jacobsen, of Hope, passed away at home on January 25, 2022. He was the husband of Erica (Horton) Jacobsen. Born in Norway, he was a son of Thomas and Anne Jacobsen. Father of Justin and Owen Jacobsen, brother of Lloyd Jacobsen and his wife Nicole and Kenneth Jacobsen and his wife Elizabeth. He also leaves his nieces and nephews Shelby, Kevin, Trinity, Abby, Ashtin, Ryder, Liv and Myles. Gunnar had worked for Amgen for 27 years. Visitation will be held Friday January 28th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. with a funeral service to immediately follow at 12:00 p.m. in the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate. Burial will be private.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)
Scituate, RI 02857
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Funeral

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Tribute Wall

NJ

“ Sending love & hugs to Erica, Owen, Justin, Anne & Thomas, Lloyd & Family, and Kenny & family. I grew up with the Jacobsen boys in Fairhaven. Most summer days, all of the Norwegian families met at West Island Beach. The moms in their beach chairs drinking their coffee in the hot sun. We kids swimming until our moms made us get out for lunch. Gunnar was like another big brother - but kind! Cheers to a life well-lived. He will be missed by many but we are lucky to have known him.

♥ Noelle

Noelle Jacobsen - January 30, 2022 at 10:05 AM

MG

“ To Gunnar's family, I worked with Gunnar from the time I started at B.W.Manufacturing until I left Amgen in 2005. I would be hard pressed to find a more conscientious worker in any of the places I worked. Always a smile and pleasant greeting. Gunnar will be missed by all. RIP my friend.

*Mark Gardiner
Hope, RI*

Mark Gardiner - January 29, 2022 at 04:49 PM

EH

“ To Gunnar's family, my sincere condolences. I just learned of this news today.

I have such fond memories of Gunnar, back from when we first became friends in grade school all the way until our 20s. We played little league baseball together, ran track in high school, and hung around quite a bit even after graduating FHS. I'm sorry that our lives drifted apart and we lost regular contact as we got older. He was a great friend - kind, smart, funny, and humble. I feel lucky to have been around him.

I wish you all peace and comfort.

Ed Hebert - January 29, 2022 at 03:46 PM



“ When I think of Gunnar the world chill comes to mind. He was always so relaxed and took everything in stride. I never saw him get upset about anything. That is why I was so surprised when we were watching a Patriots game together years ago and I saw a side of Gunnar I had never seen before. He was fired up and intensely cheering on his beloved Patriots. After one great play he jumped up out of his chair and yelled "That's what I'm talking about!" It was so out of character for him that it stuck with me these many years later. Underneath that calm steady exterior lay a man of deep passions. Even though time caused us to drift a part, I will always have a deep respect for you and remember our friendship fondly. Rest in peace my friend!

Dennis Geoffroy - January 29, 2022 at 01:25 PM

JM

“ I worked with Gunnar since coming to the RI site in 2000. He's been a mentor and trusted friend. We spent time walking around the site, working out our plan to change the world (or at least our little slice of Amgen)! He was there cheering when things went well; and he was there to help solve the problem when things went wrong. I'll miss you Gunnar. Thank you for all of your words of wisdom. My thoughts and prayers are with Gunnar's family and friends.
Jessica Morse

Jessica Morse - January 28, 2022 at 10:32 AM

MI

“ I worked with Gunnar since coming to Rhode Island in 2009. I still laugh at the time we all went sledding down at Yawgoo with a group of work colleagues and he was so proud of the speed he was generating coming down the hill, coming from his Norwegian roots I'm sure. He had such a huge heart and a great outlook on life. I literally think of him regularly throughout my week, whether it was the conversations we had around his dislike of fall or his love of family. I will miss you Gunnar, thanks for showing me how to truly appreciate the little things in life.

Mike Thomas

Mike - January 28, 2022 at 10:03 AM

JM

“ I was fortunate to know Gunnar for many years when we worked together at Amgen. He was one of the nicest individuals I worked with. He was intelligent and dedicated. You didn't mind putting in the effort because Gunnar worked just as hard and he genuinely cared. I quickly appreciated his quiet demeanor and style which enabled his great insight on people and situations. My thoughts are with his family and friends at this time.

Jerry McAndrews

Jerry McAndrews - January 28, 2022 at 10:00 AM

CW

“ I have been blessed to know Gunnar as a colleague, a mentor, and most importantly a friend. One of the most genuine people you will ever meet with great insight, hard-working, and passionate about helping others to be successful. He adored his family and it was fun to hear of his hiking adventures with Erica and the life journey's of Justin, Owen and his brothers. He was the definition of a servant leader and valued every person he came in contact with. Always striving to be a learner and to help others in their learning. I will miss my friend and leave my thoughts and prayers for his family and friends. So sorry for your loss.

Cheryl Wolfe - January 28, 2022 at 09:18 AM

DD

“ I worked with Gunnar at Amgen Rhode Island for many years. We had many conversations about work and our families. He was proud of his children and loved his family deeply. He always brought a smile to my face because he had a heart of gold. He will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

Dionne Dosa - January 27, 2022 at 08:43 PM

JS

“ I worked with Gunnar for many years at Amgen and have so many wonderful memories. Besides partnering as a work colleague, my dearest memories are simply catching up after the weekends or after Sox, Pats, or Celtics game. Hearing him speak of his family (so proud of Erica and the boys shenanigans) and sharing his stories helped me become the spouse and parent I am today. And oh the laughs! Not being able to breathe from laughing so hard, his eyes squinted and tears leaking out. I will never forget that smile and laugh. My love and prayers are with Erica, the boys, and his family. I am so honored to have known him.

Jeanene Sawyer - January 27, 2022 at 07:58 PM

FL

“ I worked with Gunnar at Amgen RI for many years. He was always so kind and pleasant. Always greeted you with a warm smile. He impressed me with his willingness to learn new areas and his inquisitiveness. He understood the business so well but was always humble and a great listener. He will be missed by so many. I wish his family peace and love during this difficult time. May time heal your pain and be replaced with great memories that will last forever.

Felicia Lewis - January 27, 2022 at 07:10 PM

CC

“ I worked with Gunnar for many years, and he was simply one of the kindest souls I have ever met. Gunnar would not hesitate to sit down with me, spending his valuable time so I could better understand difficult concepts. I will miss him, his excellent sense of humor, and his warmth. My deepest condolences to the family.

Chris Castro - January 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM

KB

“ I met Gunnar when I started working at Amgen in 1996. Thinking of him will always bring a smile to my face. Sitting down with Gunnar for a good, honest and productive conversation was always the norm! A great, smart, kind, genuine person. I will miss him. God bless your family during this tough time and the tough times to come.

Kristina Bacon - January 27, 2022 at 05:07 PM

AP

“ My deepest condolences to Gunnar's family and friends. I, like many, had the pleasure and privilege of working with him at Amgen. His kindness and patience was only outweighed by his love for his family. His was truly a life well lived and he will be fondly remembered by the many people his genuine and positive attitude touched.

Amy Perrino - January 27, 2022 at 04:35 PM

DD

“ I met Gunnar back in 2004 when I supported mfg in building 1 as a document. coordinator. Gunnar was one of the kindest, sincere people I have ever met. My husband worked with him in mfg and always spoke so highly of him. He had a positive impact on everyone he met. He will truly be missed. Thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Debbie Doeg - January 27, 2022 at 12:55 PM

JA

“ I was lucky enough to have worked with Gunnar early on during my tenor at Amgen and have not crossed paths with a kinder man. He likely never knew what a positive influence he had. My deepest sympathies for his loved ones during this difficult time.

Julie Johnson, Amgen - January 27, 2022 at 12:32 PM

AW

“ I met Gunnar when I first started at Amgen in MFG. He always took the time out of his very busy schedule to talk to all of us and made everyone feel important. He was the same person outside of work too, as a member of the golf league, we always had fun as a group. Gunnar was so down to earth and welcoming. I'm lucky to have known him even for the short time that it was. He will be missed tremendously. Deepest condolences to his family and friends.

Andrew Walker - January 27, 2022 at 12:00 PM

MC

“ I was lucky enough for work for Gunnar. He always made you feel heard and was a great mentor. He would always take time to ask about family and while I never met his wife and children, I felt like I knew them personally by the stories he would share. And he would never pass up an opportunity to brag about his little brother Ken. He has left a mark on so many of us. The world is a better place because of him. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.

Michelle Caine - January 27, 2022 at 11:01 AM

DA

“ While I was not as close to Gunnar as many of my colleagues at Amgen were, I can only echo their sentiments. He ALWAYS asked about family, shared about and spoke highly of his family, and was always happy to share about his brother Ken and how he was getting along. He never missed a moment to share praise for or about someone, even while dismissing the same praise in return. My deepest condolences to his family at this trying time.

David Adams - January 27, 2022 at 10:29 AM

KD

“ I met Gunnar when I started as a Director in Manufacturing with literally zero experience. He was so welcoming and generous with his knowledge and kind spirit; he became one of my dearest colleagues and friends. He was dedicated, hard working, intelligent, kind and always kept his sense of humor. Gunnar was a humble leader who exhibited a quiet strength and calmness. He loved his family first and foremost and never lost sight of what is truly important in this world. I am honored to have known him. Simply the best. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of his friends and family at this difficult time.
Kathy Demarest

Kathy Demarest - January 27, 2022 at 09:45 AM

KS

“ I met Gunnar when I started my career with Amgen 20 years ago, and I can easily and honestly say he was one of the most caring, gentle and positive people that I have ever met. 10 years into our working relationship, I was 9 months pregnant and interviewing for a manager's position. I will never forget the advice that Gunnar gave me as I was going through that process, sharing his experiences and telling me how important it was to have work/life balance and to focus on family first, always. He asked me about my family each and every time we interacted from that day on, and was always sharing stories about his wife and boys. I will be forever grateful for his influence and give my sincerest condolences to his family for their loss.

Kara Shea - January 27, 2022 at 07:38 AM

RA

“ I first met Gunnar when I came to AR5. What a kind and genuine human being. He was the rock for his team, a pillar of the building, and the epitome of servant leadership. I remember him at the hot topics meeting, soft spoken, humble and always in command. Gunnar was loved and respected by his colleagues. He often talked about his years making Enbrel with such pride and joy. I can't imagine how empty it will feel to walk on the manufacturing floor that Gunnar used to walk on everyday. Rest In Peace, my friend.

Erica and family, my deepest condolences. I wish you peace and comfort.

Love,
Ran

Ran - January 27, 2022 at 03:15 AM

TC

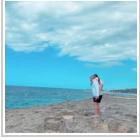
“ Erica our hearts are broken for you and your family. We have kept all of you in our prayers and will continue. Gunnar was a fighter and had you by his side. Your love for each other will carry you through this difficult time. If I can do anything for you please let me know. Let your beautiful memories fill your hearts. My deepest condolences. Love you.

Tonimarie Campopiano - January 26, 2022 at 07:36 PM

 Pat
Gallagher

“ I think the first time I met Gunnar was at his brother, Kenny's, apartment a million years ago...we all hung for a Patriots game. I can honestly say I never liked someone quicker than I did watching you just rip the Colts to shreds...my fondest memory of us hanging out, but not the only one.. thank you for always being kind.. you'll be missed

Pat Gallagher - January 26, 2022 at 07:31 PM



“Gunnar... your kindness was something to admire. I remember when started to work at Amgen, I set up a meeting with him to ask him for advices for my professional career and the very first thing he told me was...

"Juan... There is nothing more important than your family. Spend time with your family members and more important, make sure to let them know how much you love them"..

This was just a reflect of who you were... You will be missed dear Gunnar.

Rest in peace.

Juan De Jesus - January 26, 2022 at 06:47 PM

VE

“Gunnar was so kind and welcoming to me when I was a new hire at Amgen, Rhode Island. He wanted me to feel welcome and often stopped by my office to say hello and see how I was doing. He always had a smile on his face that could light up a room, whether it was in the morning or at the end of the day. My deepest condolences to his family. He was very adored and respected by his friends at Amgen.

Vera - January 26, 2022 at 06:13 PM

DL

“Erica and family, sorry for your loss during this time, sending you prayers and love . Love Denise and Steve xo

Denise Iarson - January 26, 2022 at 06:04 PM

GA

“ *My deepest condolences...Gunner was a wonderful man and always spoke fondly of his family. May your hearts remained filled with a lifetime of beloved memories.*

Gail Dwyer, Amgen - January 26, 2022 at 05:33 PM