



Darrin A. Tikkanen

February 24, 1966 - June 2, 2020

Due to COVID-19 we are limited to ten people at a time for the Instate.

Beloved husband of Pauline.

Proud father of Bobby, Eleni, and John.

Dear son-in-law of Harry and Eleni Harris.

Cherished brother-in-law of Dr. Paul (Zoe) Harris.

Caring uncle of Bobby and Eleni Harris.

Loving son of Donald and Carol.

Treasured brother of Donna.

Funeral Services will be held Monday, June 8, 2020 at St. John Greek Orthodox Church (11455 Metro Pkwy. Sterling Heights, MI 48312).

Instate at 10:00 am followed by the funeral service at 11:00 am

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Cemetery

621 West Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Instate

JUN 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Greek Orthodox Church
11455 Metro Parkway
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Darrin A. Tikkanen*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Darrin A. Tikkanen*

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *He was a beautiful baby with lots of dark hair. When his dad was sent to Vietnam he was only a couple months old. After a year when his dad was sent home, Darrin didn't want any part of the strange guy in mom's bed. It is comforting to know he was a personable guy and had good friends. His dad and I tried to instill in him a good work ethic and family was important. God Bless you, son. Rest In Peace.*

Carol Tikkanen - June 08, 2020 at 10:19 PM



“ *We met Darrin at Stevenson baseball and quickly became friends. He was such a great guys. His family was his life, he was so proud of them. Whenever he talked about his children his face would light up. I miss meeting his and Pauline at Phoenix Coney. We will miss him, honored to call him my friend. My condolences to his family*

Jerry and Joanna Melcher

Joanna Melcher - June 08, 2020 at 12:40 PM

CD

“ I worked with Darrin for many years at Hi-Tech, he was always friendly, well liked and respected for his hard work. Even after just a few brief conversations, I knew how much his family meant to him. My condolences and prayers to his family.

Carly Drews - June 08, 2020 at 11:33 AM

MA

“ Darrin and I met at Delta Technologies. When I first met him I tried my best to show him around and help him out. We had many conversations and enjoyed our time. He was the last person I hugged and said good bye to on March 23rd when we got sent home from work due to Covid 19 and it saddens me that I will not be able to see him again. Love you guy it was a short time ,but a good one. Your family would be proud the way you spoke of them.

Michael Ackerson - June 08, 2020 at 10:53 AM

RM

“ I too knew Darrin from Michigan Kettlebells. While it was only brief, meeting him was anything but that. Souls like Darrin leave echoes, not just on his family, but also on those that were fortunate to have met him. I will always remember how much he enjoyed life, his family and the pride in his work. This was SUCH a huge surprise to the MK family. A vibrant soul taken way too soon. To his family, my prayers, thoughts and condolences go out to you. May he rest in peace now and may he find his own ways to continue to watch over you. So sorry for your loss.

Rose Murphy - June 08, 2020 at 10:45 AM

DG

“ I am one of Darrin's friends from Michigan Kettlebells. I usually attended different classes than Darrin, but last Fall we discovered a mutual interest in mountain biking and I took him out for his first couple trail rides. We had a lot of fun together and, for a novice rider, he demonstrated very impressive skills and fearlessness! We were both looking forward to a new summer season of rides. :-(

Darrin's death from Covid is stunning and painfully sad. I'm upset that he does not get to live out his natural life, I'm upset that he leaves behind a partner in life that I know he cherished, and I'm upset that his three children lose a father who clearly enjoyed his kids. I wish peace and wonderful memories to his family.

Dan Goussy - June 08, 2020 at 08:46 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 08, 2020 at 02:15 AM



“ *America the Beautiful* was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 07, 2020 at 02:42 PM

LE

“ Laurie Tikkanen, Larry Tikkanen, Lisa & Tom Evans purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



Laurie Tikkanen, Larry Tikkanen, Lisa & Tom Evans - June 07, 2020 at 10:35 AM

JB

“ Darrin and I spent many days together watching our sons play baseball. I always looked forward to the conversation and witty banter Darrin shared. You are a great father, husband and friend.

You will be truly missed my friend.
Jeff Brower

Jeff Brower - June 07, 2020 at 09:38 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 07, 2020 at 09:19 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 07, 2020 at 09:15 AM

JC

“ Darrin has another family...his Michigan Kettlebell family. We enjoyed talking to him after workouts, making jokes, talking about our kids, Greek food and golf. We will miss you! Semper Fi.

Joanne Cruz - June 07, 2020 at 01:30 AM

 Derrick Williams

“ I met Darrin through Michigan Kettlebells when we were both members there. He was one of my absolute favorite people to see in class each time. He was one of those rare people that when he asked you how you were doing, would look you in the eyes and truly listen to your response. I always pushed myself a little harder when he was there because he always pushed himself and high fived you when you did too. It probably sounds silly but in some way it always meant something to get that high five.

Probably the thing I remember the most about him though, I knew him for about five minutes before I learned how proud he was of his family and heard about them every time since. It was truly inspiring to see a man that loved and took such pride in his marriage and children. He talked about all of you to a point that I felt I should recognize all by name. Darrin has a big heart and made me really think about the husband and parent I am and I appreciate him for that. I really wish I were able to make the service to pay tribute to the kind of man he is, he definitely deserves it. My condolences for your loss.

Derrick Williams - June 06, 2020 at 10:02 PM

JB

“ Darrin, we might not have gotten to see you often, but we sure had a good time when we did. We were proud of the man you became and know you were a wonderful husband and father. It is obvious you were loved by many. Rest In Peace. Love Uncle Joe and Aunt Bonnie



Joseph Bivona - June 06, 2020 at 08:52 PM

WF

“ With Love, Darrell & Debra Elrod & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



With Love, Darrell & Debra Elrod & Family - June 06, 2020 at 02:14 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 06, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 06, 2020 at 01:19 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 06, 2020 at 12:34 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 10:56 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 09:46 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 08:42 PM



“ *Love, Tadros Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



Love, Tadros Family - June 05, 2020 at 08:03 PM



“ *I went to school with Darrin, and had the good fortune of catching up with him last summer after many years. My wife and I wish to express our deepest condolences to Darrin's wife, kids, family, and friends.*

Rest in Peace, my friend.

Tom & Jane Croteau

Tom Croteau - June 05, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 07:01 PM



“ *Darrin - I have kept you and your family in my thoughts. I am so very sorry that you lost the battle. I pray for your family. May the good memories shine through during this very difficult time. You were always a joy to be around in junior high school and high school. May you light up the sky like you shined here on Earth. You will be truly missed my friend.*

Kathleen Mantha-Mrozek

Kathleen Mantha-Mrozek - June 05, 2020 at 06:01 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.*



June 05, 2020 at 05:58 PM

MD

“ Mike and Mary Dec purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



Mike and Mary Dec - June 05, 2020 at 04:46 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 05, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Darrin A. Tikkanen.



June 05, 2020 at 03:58 PM