



Michael Zimmer

May 22, 2010

Michael James Zimmer, 25, of Cape Girardeau, died Saturday, May 22, 2010 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. He was born February 28, 1985 in Cape Girardeau, to James and Lori Morgan Zimmer. Growing up Michael's love was always playing sports. In high school, he chose to play football and the sport he was most passionate about, basketball. He was the starting tight end and a member of the basketball team for Cape Central throughout his high school career. Michael graduated from Cape Central High School in 2003, moving on to St. Louis University where he completed his undergraduate degree with a Bachelor of Science in 2007. Michael attended Law School at his alma mater, St. Louis University, where he recently graduated in 2010. He was a member of St. Vincent De Paul Church. Survivors include his parents, James and Lori Zimmer; sister, Margaret Zimmer; brother, Mark Zimmer; grandparents, Dr. Willard & Diane Morgan; grandmother, Patricia Zimmer; all of Cape Girardeau. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Jerome Zimmer. Friends may visit from 4:00 to 7:00 PM Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau, Mo. Parish prayers will be at 6:30 PM. Funeral mass will be at 11:00 AM Thursday, May 27, 2010 at St. Vincent De Paul Church in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. David Hulshof officiating. Burial will follow at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau. Memorial contributions may be given to The Heritage Foundation, 214 Massachusetts Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Tribute Wall

KM

“ To the family of Dr. Robert Hunt, I was saddened to learn of Dr Hunt's death. My mother and I had the privilege of having him as our surgeon and we considered him as our special friend. He always had a smile and a great big hug for us anytime we saw him, not only in the hospital or office, but when we met him in passing. He always remembered our names and took time to chat with us. My heart goes out to all of you and my thoughts and prayers are with you. May God's loving arms surround you and strengthen you. God BlessKaren Webb McClendon

Karen Webb McClendon - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

LF

“ James, Lori, Margaret, & Mark- I am so sorry for your loss. I can't begin to know the pain and sorrow that your going through right now but please know your in my thoughts and prayers. It's been years since we've talked or seen each other but my most fondest memories are when we lived in Cape with such wonderful friends and neighbors as you guys. Michael was such a sweet and kind friend to David. The kids were just talking the other day how Miss Lori and mom always to us to Kidds for slushies! I Love you guys.

Lori Friskel - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

SK

“ My sincere condolences to your family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers daily.

Susan Rutledge Kemp - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

BM

“ I sm so very sorry for your great loss. My son, Jeffrey, was a year older but knew Michael. I hope God's love and your beautiful memories help you in the healing process.

Brenda McCowan - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

MP

“ James and Lori - I received a e-mail from Bill Presser on your loss. I am truly sorry for what has happen to your family. My prayers and thoughts are with you,both. I hope you remember me from our Famous-Barr days.

Marsha Pierce-Hussey - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

MB

“ I am so sorry to hear of your tragic loss. I will keep all of you in my prayers. Love, Mary Sue (Sharp) Babb

Mary Sue (Sharp) Babb - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

JL

“ Lori and James, I offer my deepest sympathy to you and yours. May our Heavenly Father hold you in the palm of His hand as you grieve the loss of your precious child.

Jeanne (Love) Livers - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

PH

“ My heart goes out to the entire Zimmer family. My thoughts will be with all of you during this time of incredible sadness. I am truly sorry for your loss.

Paula Hadsall - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

DP

“ Your wonderful family has my deep sympathy on your tragic loss.

David Pollack - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

KC

“ It was an honor for me to help put together the memory video photo montage. My heart and prayers are with the entire Zimmer and Morgan families at this sorrowful time.

Ken Campbell - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

BL

“ Lori and James, and family, Sending you my family's deepest condolences. You are in our prayers.

Bob Lovinggood - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

JJ

“ I can not begin to express how my heart aches for your family. The pain can be so overwhelming at times, but the love your family shares will get you through. May God wrap you in His loving arms and comfort you at this trying time. God bless you.

Judi Edwards Johnson - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

MB

“ James & Lori - I was deeply saddened to learn of the tragic loss of your son Michael. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the Zimmer family during this difficult time.

Marjorie L. Baker - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

GL

“ *Mark & Family, I was sorry to hear about the loss of your brother and son. My prayers are with you and Michael during this time, that God will be with you and bless you all.*

Gary Loos - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

KW

“ *My many thoughts and prayers are with all of you now and through the coming days. I am a friend of Mary and Jerry Zimmer. I pray God will surround you with his loving arms. Michael was such a vibrant person and I know that his spirit will live on forever. God will carry all of you and strengthen you each and every day. Friends in Christ. Karen Webb-McClendon*

Karen Webb-McClendon - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

LB

“ *James, Lori, Margaret, & Mark: Life is a journey through shifting sands.... Because we are given free will, we are not always protected from harms way. However, God does promise to always be there with us. For Michael, God has welcomed him into Heaven. For those of us who mourn his passing, He sends his angels to comfort us. In our time of need, He carries us when we cannot walk alone. Allow God to bring each of you His Peace during this time of dispair.*

Linda, Ryan, Morgan, & Jordan Bass - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

MR

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved child Michael. Jay will always cherish their friendship and we will forever remember Mike in his jersey as a Tiger out on the football field and basketball court. Our heart goes out to you and each of his family members. May God give you the strength to honor Michael's life through your own each day.

Mark and Rhonda Ruark, Jay Ruark - May 12, 2015 at 12:01 AM

SC

“ James, Lori, Margaret and Mark May the Light of GOD guide you through the darkness of Michael's passing. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.

Sherry Cable - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. May God be with you and bless you during this difficult time.

David and Lyn Mueller - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Zimmer Family, We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your son, Michael. Many people are praying for your family during this painful time. May you experience God's comfort and grace in very tangible ways during these days. With deepest sympathy, Mary Speidel

Mary Speidel - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Our heartfelt prayers are with all of you.

Affiliate Department of Talk Radio Network - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ There are no words that I can say to ease your unbearable pain. Just know that loved ones, family and friends are there with a shoulder for your tears, ears for your words and arms to hold you up. Take advantage of them. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless!

Kembra Springs - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Mark, I am so sorry for the loss of your brother. I regret that I am out of town and cannot come to the funeral. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

David Westrich - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Although we've never met, I want to say I've been praying for your family and will continue to pray for strength through this most difficult time. Let God be your refuge as you begin this journey of grief. My heart bleeds for you all.

Tammy Neal (Tom Neals wife) - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Lori and James, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts.

Stacia and Jim Sanders - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ James and Lori - I have no words. I am so sorry. Not enough tears.

Patty and Larry Miller - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Lexi Grisvard Buente - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Mark, Margaret, Lori & James- Our love and prayers are with you. May you find strength as you honor Michael's life & memories of him. May you find comfort in knowing he will rest in peace with the loving mercy of our dear Lord. God bless his soul. Peace be with you. Gail, Mark, & Andrew Stevens Joliet, IL.

Gail, Mark, & Andrew Stevens - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ I met Mike one of our first weekends at SLU and was very happy to find out that he was from Cape. We share many close mutual friends (Katie Obsitnik was my roommate at SLU) who I know will miss him very much. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family.

Emily Slaten - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EE

“ I just wanted to stop by and say how sorry I am to hear about your loss of Michael. I met him several times over the years I have been friends with his cousins, Jessica and Jerri Lynn. I remember him as vibrant and friendly with a wonderful smile. Please know that the Zimmer family is in my prayers and I hope for peace and comfort for you in a difficult time.

Erin Easton - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ James & Lori, I was so heartbroken when Judi Edwards told me of Michael's accident. There are no words sufficient to express the sympathy and support you need at this time. But do know that there are hundreds and thousands of your friends thinking of you and your family.

Scott Medlock - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ James and Lori I am deeply saddened by your loss. My heart goes out to you and your family. I pray that the Lord will watch over you during your time of grief. Mike

Mike Parsons - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To James, Lori & Family, Your loss has been felt by many of us close or far. In reading all of the many condolences it is obvious that Michael was a very special young man & will be remembered by many, and in being so remembered his legacy will live on. My heart & prayers go out to you! May God comfort you & sustain you through your pain. With Sympathy, Sherri Atchison Stuart

Sherri Atchison Stuart - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ James and Lori, I was deeply saddened to learn of the loss of your son Michael. From Psalm 46:1-2 we are reminded that God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Tim and Jacqueline Meagher

Tim and Jacqueline Meagher - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Looking at Michael's photo, reminds me so much of James when I first met him back in the early 80's. Losing a son, an exceptional son, at such an early age in his life, is such a tragic, heart wrenching occurrence, with pain beyond comparison. I am truly sad, James. No words can be uplifting, nor, any embrace of family and friends ease your pain at this moment. In time, there will be some cessation of your anguish and pain. Memories of Michael will begin to comfort you, instead of being the source of your agony. There may be signs that will offer you further comfort. Until that time, your well meaning friends, and family will attempt to console you. When you are ready, allow them to do so, to the degree that you feel is warranted. Allow yourself to grieve, to reminisce, and to express yourself emotionally. Peace will come. It is God's grace that grants us that peace. You and Michael are in my prayers. Mike

Michael J. Ballou - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. You have been and will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers.

Susie Oglander Chappell - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ James and Lori - I can't imagine the pain you are going through. My heart aches for you. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Rita Dirnberger - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Lori, James, Margaret and Mark I am so sorry. Know that you were a wonderful family to Michael. I have no doubt that he in heaven watching over all of you.

Jeanne Goodman - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Mike was always someone that I respected and looked up to in college. He was truly a wonderful person and a great example for all us young men to follow. He is in my prayers and my deepest condolences go out to his family and those close to him.

Brett Judkins - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ James & Lori, Don't know if you remember me, but I met you in the ICU at Barnes while waiting for my husband. I have been praying for your son and your entire family. My family and I had high hopes that your son would survive and beat all the odds. Please know that my thoughts and prayers continue for you in the coming days. Deepest Sympathy, Deb Woodruff

Deb Woodruff - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Laurie & James, you and your children have been and will be continue to be in my prayers. I have no idea what you are going through, but I do know that many people love you and care for you. I pray that you will find comfort in your loved ones and in the comforting arms of God as you travel through the days ahead. I didn't know Michael personally, but he was 2 years ahead of my son (Steve) at CHS. Steve said Michael was a great young man who was a friend to everyone. He wanted me to express his condolences as well. Patti Lincecum Miinch (a class mate of both Laurie & James)

Patti (Lincecum) Miinch - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ James, I just read thru the messages for the first time today. We are shocked and saddened by your horrible loss. It's obvious your love and faith in God give you the assurance that your Son is standing with our Lord's Son in a beautiful place. His smile will now last for eternity. Hank Booth Lawrence, KS.

Hank and Sue Booth - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ We wanted you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Walt Turner, Joeli Barbour and KDEX Staff - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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DF

“ My condolences to you and your family.

Dean Field - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ My heart goes out to you during this most difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Laurie Taylor (from Famous Barr)

Laurie Taylor - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ James and Lori, Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Love Ron, and Lara

Ron & Lara Covert and Family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ To the Zimmer family: No words can express how heartbroken we all are to hear of the loss of Michael. Although we did not have the pleasure of knowing Michael very well, we have known James for a long time and our hearts and prayers go out to your family.

Dusty, Becky and the Pagoda Family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ James and Lori, I went to high school with both of you and I just wanted to share my condolences. I can't imagine the pain you're feeling.

Tim Murphy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ James, When my father almost passed away a few years ago, you provided comfort to me saying that "this is not the only life we live." I hope those same inspiring words you gave me then, will help you and your family find comfort now with the passing of your son. I'm so sorry to hear of your loss and will keep you and your family in our prayers.

Lori Tomlin - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ There is nothing harder to understand than the loss of a child. May God comfort and strengthen you today and always. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you struggle through this difficult time.

Nina Meyers Mueller - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ James, Lori, Mark, and Margaret...God's grace is evident in each of you as you are facing the most difficult of times. Most of us cannot know your pain, but your gracious updates throughout these last 2 weeks were such a powerful testimony of your strength and faith. I am thankful for the blessing of Michael in your life, and the blessing that you were in his. I continue to pray that God will wrap your family in His arms and give you comfort and peace. My words are so inadequate, but just know that I love each of you.

Tracy and Rick Blattner - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your son. I know your hearts are breaking. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Nancy Sell - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ It was truly a joy and a pleasure to have known Micheal. I'll always remember the good times and laughs I shared with him. I thank you for bringing him into this world and raising him to be the great person he was.

Brent Presser - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Our hearts and thoughts are with you during this tragedy. We have always considered William part of the Zimmer family. May God give you strength and comfort. Sydney and Marilyn Pollack

Marilyn and Sydney Pollack - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I feel honored to have ever met him (even as a small child).
Deepest condolences- an indescribable loss to the world.

Marie Smallow - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ I'm still praying like a little warrior for all of you, and for Michael's sweet, sweet soul. He was like a big brother to me, always taking care of me and checking on me while I was at SLU... He loved to socialize more than anyone I know, and he is the reason I was able to meet so many wonderful people in St. Louis. James and Lori, you know I love you both. Marge, you're my girl.. you will always have a friend here. And Mark... you continue to make me smile. The older you get, the more you remind me of your big brother. I love you all!

Rachael Essner - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ Lori, James, and family, May God's grace comfort you in your loss. Michael was a handsome young gentleman. He is missed. Jim and Frankie Erlacker

Frankie Erlacker - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Your in our hearts and prayers.....

Wil & Steve Halter - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ To the Zimmer Family - Words alone can not ease the pain from your loss. Take comfort in your family and friends that all care so much. Rest Assured Michael is now with his God and suffering no more. God Bless the Zimmer family!

Doug Mueller - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ James and Lori, We are all heartbroken over your loss. And there is no explanation for the unexplainable. Our hope is that your friends, family and church surround you with love today, next week, next month, next year and at all times. And that you feel the peace of God in this terrible tragedy. Kathy (Howard) Carter

Kathy Howard Carter - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with James, Lori, Margaret, Mark and the entire Zimmer family during this great time of sorrow.

Julie Pollack Belz - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Michael was a true gentleman; a reflection of his outstanding parents and family. We always enjoyed his presence at our family functions; it was like having another brother around. We were deeply saddened to learn of his passing, but know that he is in a better place looking down on us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jeff & Jennifer Kaiser - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ With regrets we send our deepest sympathy. We prayed for him continuously. Now, we will pray for you, and your family to find the strength to continue. Michael is in heaven with God, and with our son. This accident has really touch our hearts and soul. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Gary and Madeleine Feuerhahn - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RY

“ Dear James, Lori & family I was so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know you are in our prayers.

Rick Young - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ When we first heard about the accident with Michael, we were hoping and praying for the outcome our son, Scott, had with his brain injury. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss. May God support you through the days ahead. If there is anything we can do, please let us know.

Don & Sue Kaverman and Family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Dear James & Lori; It has been a long time but my heart breaks for you as I read about Michael and tears roll down my face. You are wonderful people and I am so sorry. May the Lord be with you and walk with you through this trial. May your friends and family also be a source of strength. My thoughts and prayers are with you and may God bless. With love and friendship, Tom Rickard

Tom Rickard - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ James, Lori and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Larry, Joey, Bryce and Chase

Larry G. Boyd and Joey L. Boyd - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family of Mike Zimmer.

Bob Pollack - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Although we do not know you and did not have the privilege of knowing Michael, we are praying for you. We realize the intense pain from losing a beloved son way too soon. Our hearts go out to you in this time of experiencing true heart ache. May God comfort you as only He can.

Dennis and Theresa Lumos - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Your entire family is in my prayers. May you find comfort in each other as you deal with the loss of Michael. As family and friends surround you, I wish you a heart filled with love and glowing memories. God bless you.

Carol K. Daily - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Both my husband and I were lucky enough to have met Mike, even though we attended different schools. During grade school, Mike's passion for sports and laughter was evident. When Mike decided to play football for Central rather than attending Notre Dame like so many classmates, nobody was surprised. We were both saddened to hear of his accident and passing. Our prayers are with your family in this very difficult time.

Josh and Ashley (Freeman) Poole - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ To the Zimmer Family- We are so sorry for the loss of your son Michael. Our hearts go out to the entire family. We are sending our prayers of strength to help during this difficult time. Michael is an angel in heaven looking down on each of you, he will be with you everyday. God bless the Zimmer family. From the Stevens Family, Louise, Mark, Sheri & Cindy.

Sheri Stevens Christensen - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ James and Lori-I am so sorry for your loss. May the lord comfort you in this time. God Bless, Tim

Tim Jones - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ My heart, prayers & tears have been with your entire family from the beginning and I'll continue to pray for your loss. May you always have each other and your precious memories.

Tina Robertson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ People that you don't even know are praying for you and thinking of you. Our hearts go out to all of your family members.

Joanie Hendricks (Luella Thompson's sister) - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to you James, Lori, Mark & Margaret. May you all find comfort in your memories of Michael and in each others company. God bless you all.

Christie Ogle - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ So very sorry to hear about the loss of your beautiful son. I know nothing I could say can take away the heartache your whole family has at this time. All we can believe is that God knew what was best for him, and that he is in a far better place than we are. I know you have many beautiful memories and lots of support from your family and friends, and please believe that I am praying for all of you. It is so hard to lose one we love, it makes us feel life is not worthwhile, but it is, and much is ahead of all of you. You have two more beautiful children, cherish them, and love one another. I too miss Bill, but we had such a wonderful life together, as did you with your son. What a blessing God gave us, thank him and never forget. Bless you all. Wanda Gish t

WANDA J. GISH - May 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Our prayers are with you during this difficult, difficult time. Michael, Margaret, and Mark were always wonderful kids to work with during grade school. Our love goes out to the family. Jerry & Charlotte

Jerry & Charlotte Welker - February 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ My thoughts and prayers are there for your family during this trying time. When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure. Michael was genuine and a true gentleman. Chrissy Obert: Usher at the Bank of America

Chrissy Obert - January 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Mike had the patience of a saint when teaching my children to fish, ski and tube. His smile and loving spirit were contagious. Mike's energy and enthusiasm for life were so motivating to me. When talking this summer at the lake with everyone, he told us all about his new fish recipes and the plans for Sunday family dinners. His love for his family could be seen by all of us. I am so very sorry for your loss. I will continue to pray that God will give you unfailing strength and peace at this time.

Mary, Bill, Will, Matthew and Amy Kaiser - January 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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