

Robert John "Bear" Mentus, II

June 15, 1971 - March 16, 2009

"Bear"

Robert John Mentus, II was born in Passaic, New Jersey on June 15, 1971 to Robert Mentus and Cecile (Mastroeni) Spanburgh. He grew up in Northern New Jersey and attended Catholic schools where he played football in High School and was given the nickname "BEAR" by his friends. His family moved to Roswell, GA in the 1990's and Robert attended truck driving school to become a Commercial Truck Driver.

In 1999, Robert joined the North Fulton Jaycees where he went on to become local president. He led his chapter to a top ten finish in the Georgia Jaycees that year and was awarded the T. Malone Sharp Memorial Award for Outstanding Achievements and Leadership. He was very proud of this award, as only 3 were given in Georgia that year. He was the 5th N Fulton President to receive the award! In 2001, Robert was awarded with lifetime membership in the Georgia Jaycees by being inducted in to the Ga Jaycees' Rebel Corps. This is an elite group of Jaycees and Robert was honored to be among them. In 2002, Robert joined Christ Fellowship Church in Dawsonville, GA and was saved by the spirit of Jesus Christ in 2003. Robert married Stacia "Stacy" Jennifer Cagle of Marietta, GA on October 12, 2003 at Christ Fellowship Church. After a honeymoon in Las Vegas, they resided in Dawsonville until 2005 when they moved to Roswell. Robert vacationed each year with his family on Jekyll Island, GA where Robert loved to fish off of the Jekyll Pier. He

would catch sharks and other fish for the sport and release them back to the ocean. Robert proposed to Stacy on Jekyll Island and the couple purchased an engraved brick for the sidewalk at the GA Sea Turtle Center there. Robert loved the natural setting and the seclusion of Jekyll Island. On July 24, 2006, the couple had a son, Robert John Mentus, III - "Robbie" Robert was so excited to be Daddy! He loved to play with Robbie and the feeling was mutual! Robert and Robbie enjoyed NASCAR racing together and Monday night wrestling on TV. Robert was an avid sports memorabilia collector and he bought and sold at Trade Shows and E-bay. He enjoyed music and scary movies as he volunteered for 8 years in the North Fulton Jaycees House on Horror Hill haunted house. Robert is survived by his wife and son, his parents, aunts, uncles and cousins. He is predeceased by his grandparents, the Ligus's of Las Vegas, NV and the Mastroeni's of Garfield, NJ. The family will receive guests at the Northside chapel on Crabapple Road in Roswell on Thursday, March 19 from 5:30pm-8:30pm. The funeral services will be held at that location on Friday, March 20 at 2pm. Robert's body will be cremated and his ashes placed into the care of his wife. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made at any Wachovia bank to the "North Fulton Jaycees in care of the Mentus Family Assistance Fund". This fund is for 2 year old Robbie's education.

Cemetery Details

Sikorski Funeral Home

3630 West George Street
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

MAR 20. 2:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ Robert John "Bear" Mentus, II

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ Stacy. I was so broken hearted to hear of your loss. I had to call Cooper Atlanta yesterday and I asked Fred about you and he told me. You were always so sweet and one of my favorite vendors, i loved working with you. I hope that you are somehow finding happiness. Again I am so sorry for you loss and i will keep you and your son in my prayers daily. I miss you.

Love,

Mary Eaton

Imedex##imported-begin##Mary Eaton##imported-end##

October 06, 2009 at 10:10 AM



“ There are never words to truly express the sorrow of losing a loved one, a dear friend and a kind heart. "Bear" was all of those things and many more. It has taken me a week to even think about signing this guestbook. My heart is with all of his family and I know that he is smiling down on all of us and still loving us like only he could. When we all feel sad, all we have to do is remember his great big arms wrapped around us hugging us so very tight, that boyish smile and that deep heartfelt laugh of our friend "Bear"...Rest Peaceful Dear Friend...We Love You and Miss You! "Boo", "Mal-Mal" and "Cash"##imported-begin##Susan "Boo" Spraggon, Mallory & Prentice##imported-end##

March 25, 2009 at 10:28 AM



“ *Stacia,*
We both want you to know that you and Robbie are in our thoughts and prayers. You be strong for that little one and know you have two friends here if you ever need us. Take Care and God Bless you all.##imported-begin##Cindy & Gary Hinton##imported-end##

March 24, 2009 at 04:33 AM



“ *Stacia, I don't even know where to begin. My heart goes out to you and Robbie. I am sorry for your loss and I can't even imagine what you are going through. Bear was a great man and great friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Wendy Smith##imported-end##*

March 23, 2009 at 10:30 PM



“ *Pat and I extend our deepest sympathy over the loss of your love one.*
My God confort you and your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Pat & Larry Griffin##imported-end##

March 20, 2009 at 05:40 PM



“ *Ceil*
My deepest sympathy to you and Robert's family. My thoughts and prays are with you all during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Olga Novy##imported-end##

March 20, 2009 at 03:57 PM



“ Cecile, My prayers and thoughts are with you. I am so sorry to hear about the death of your son.##imported-begin##Bertha Pinto##imported-end##

March 20, 2009 at 11:20 AM



“ We will love him always. Stacia and Robbie will always be in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless you both as you continue on your journey. Your entire family is loved.##imported-begin##Jennifer Cobb##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 11:20 PM



“ Stacia,Robbie and the Mentus family I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Frank Martorano##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 10:02 PM



“ Very nice writing. Bear was a splendid man and will be greatly missed. He had so many wonderful interests I would have loved to learn more about them. God's peace be with you.##imported-begin##Sam Rhodes##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 08:54 PM



“ I'll miss you, Bear, my dear friend. We'll hang out again.##imported-begin##Douglas Kneringer##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 07:12 PM



“ Cecil,
I was saddened to learn of the passing of your son, I can still visualize the picture you have on your desk of him with his son Robbie in his lap. Sometimes it just doesn't seem fair when a loved one is taken from us too soon. I have to believe that good people like your son are in a very good place now. My condolences to you and your family and his wife and her family at this difficult time. Your friend, Glenn###imported-begin##Glenn Sturm###imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 07:01 PM



“ Ceil,
We are saddened by the loss of your son, no words can describe what you are feeling now. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this tough time.

Gary & Pam Goll###imported-begin##Gary Goll###imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 05:57 PM



“ *Stacia and Robbie: You are both in our thoughts and prayers. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need anything at all. It is amazing to see the out-pour of love from so many for one awesome dude!*

God bless you all! God Bless Bear!###imported-begin##Chaz, Pam, CJ & Caitlyn###imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 05:48 PM



“ Cecile,

I am so sorry to hear about your son. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Also, let me know if I can help in any way. I'm local here in Atlanta.

God Bless...##imported-begin##Mike Burke##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 05:48 PM



“ Stacia,

You, Robbie and the family are in our prayers. We along with the rest of the Jaycee family are here for you. If there is anything we can do, please let one of us know. We loved Bear and he will always be in our hearts.

Love,

Ed & Sue##imported-begin##Ed & Sue Judd##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 05:35 PM



“ Dear Ceil,

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of

grief.##imported-begin##Sharon Lewitt##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 03:48 PM



“ John, There are no words to convey how sorry we are to hear of your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts. May you find comfort in fond memories, and strength from your friends and family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Aaron Music##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 03:24 PM



“ Cecile and family, I was so saddened to hear of this news. Please stay strong and know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Tony Versandi##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 02:47 PM



“ We had good times and bad times caused some havoc too. Brother you will be missed by The Wrecking Crew and many others

If I need it boot me in the arse occasionally.

MISS YOU MUCH

BROTHERS FOREVER

DJ##imported-begin##DJ Smith##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 02:40 PM



“ Dear John,

I am deeply sorry for the loss of your brother. Just know that you and your family will be in my prayers.

Sincerely,

*Catrina L. Dawkins##imported-begin##Catrina L.
Dawkins##imported-end##*

March 19, 2009 at 02:33 PM



“ John, I'm so sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Let me know if there's anything I can do to help.

Love you,

Trish##imported-begin##Trish Schmidt##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 02:20 PM



“ Stacia, You are in my heart, thoughts and prayers. I love you and your awesome strength and love in you heart will get you through this. We will always have our BIG BEAR HUGS.##imported-begin##Beverly Hamby##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 02:13 PM



“ *Stacia - My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this incredibly sad time. Bear was a wonderful, giving person and will be sadly missed but happily remembered. Know that I am here for you for anything my friend.*

Jodie Mathews and family###imported-begin##Jodie Mathews###imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 12:51 PM



“ *Stacia,*
I am so sorry for the sudden loss of Bear. I had only met him a few times when he brought Robbie into CATS. He always stopped to talk to me. And I could see how much love you two had for each other. I will be keeping you in my thoughts during this difficult time and the time ahead.###imported-begin##Cynthia Hagain###imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 12:08 PM



“ *Stacia, I don't know what to say. I am still at a loss for words. I hope you know that you and Robbie are in my heart and that Bear will be truly missed by me. I hope you also know that if you need anything, all you have to do is call me. We have been in each others lives for at least 30 years and I hope we always will be. I love you and Robbie and you are in my prayers. Call me if you need me anytime, any place.*

Ben also sends in his condolences as well and was so upset to hear about Bear's passing. Ben thought very highly of him as did everyone that came in contact with him.

Bear, go rest in peace my friend.

Pam, Ben, Hayley and Emily Hubbell##imported-begin##Pamela Wright Hubbell##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 11:39 AM



“ *Stacy, I am so sorry for the loss that you and little Robbie are going through. You have always been there for me since i met you back in 1998. Thank you for everything you guys have ever done for us. Words cant express how much we will miss bear. You guys were amazing to us, everytime we see you its like no time has passed at all. If you ever need anything, you know where to find me, just a phone call away. All my love, Claire##imported-begin##Claire Reynolds##imported-end##*

March 19, 2009 at 09:26 AM



“ Cecile, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your son..My prayers are with you and your family at this time..Little Robbie now has a very special Angel looking down on him..God bless all of you..##imported-begin##Michele Tricola##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 08:43 AM



“ Cecile, my heart goes out to you at this sad time. Take comfort that your son is with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May his love comfort you in the days ahead. God Bless you.

Ron##imported-begin##Ron Jerris##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 08:29 AM



“ Bob,
Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. May God Bless you all and hold your son in the Palm of His hands.

Cheryl, Larry and Brianna##imported-begin##CherylCherney##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 08:07 AM



“ Cecile,

Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family.

God Bless~

Dave Batt##imported-begin##Dave Batt##imported-end##

March 19, 2009 at 07:51 AM



“ *Stacia, my heart goes out to you and your son, along with my prayers for comfort in your hours of need. Bear was a great person, always kind to me, this I will never forget. May God Bless you and Robby. Your sister in Christ, Star##imported-begin##Star Pierce##imported-end##*

March 19, 2009 at 06:25 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. If any of you need anything please call. Bear was a great help when I lost my mother and I am here for you. Stacia, I will always have a chair that is Bear's from when yall played games here. My cat still wont sit on it. The memory of Bear and Tim at Kenny's birthday party, and oh that Wrestling Mask! He will be missed and was a very good and sincere friend.##imported-begin##Lynelle Holbrook##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 09:27 PM



“ *Dear Stacia,*

We was deeply saddened to hear about the death of Bear. We know how difficult this must be for you and for little Cubby. You are in our thoughts and prayers. We know how much you will miss Robert and encourage you to lean on your family and friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about.

May God bless you and your family during this time and always,

Sandra and Nicholas Lopitz, and Madison Dietz##imported-begin##Sandra (Dietz) Lopitz##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 09:13 PM



“ I miss and love you, my brother. I hope you are bring smiles and laughs to Grandma and Grandpa Ligus as well as Grandma and Grandpa Mastroeni, like you did for us here on Earth.##imported-begin##John Mentus##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 09:11 PM



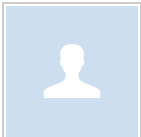
“ Stacia you and Cubby will be in my thoughts and prayers. Bear was a very kind man and I will always remember him##imported-begin##Lisa Pickett ##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 06:41 PM



“ Stacy, my thoughts and prayers are with you and Cubby during this difficult time. May God wrap His loving arms around you and hold you close to His side. You are much loved!##imported-begin##Michelle Pellom Sanders##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 06:07 PM



“ Stacy,
We just wanted to let you and Robbie know that you are in our hearts and prayers. We will miss Bear. It is hard to find the good in these things, but I know God will find a way. We love you.

Love,
Eric, Corey, and Nikki Parson##imported-begin##The Parson Family##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 05:27 PM



“ Ceil, I was so very sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved son. My prayers & sympathy are with you & your family at this time.##imported-begin##Linda Scarciotta##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 03:41 PM



“ Stacy and Robbie,

I am so sorry for your loss. Know that I will be here for you day or night, tears or smiles. Bear will remain in my heart from this day forward, he will never be forgotten.

*"Those we love remain with us
For love itself lives on,
And cherished memories never fade
Because a loved one's gone.
Those we love can never be
More than a thought apart,
Far as long as there is memory,
They'll live on in the heart."##imported-begin##Adam Boze##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 02:45 PM



“ Stacia- I am so sorry for your loss. You and Robbie, and all of Bear's family are in my thoughts and prayers. Please know if there is anything I can do that I am just a call away. I will never forget being sworn in as a Jaycee by Bear, may his legacy live on for many years to come. He will truly be missed by many people.##imported-begin##Christina Bell##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 02:37 PM



“ *Stacia- We are all in shock right now but just know there is a plan for everything! We are here to help you get through this and the hard days to come. We all love you and your entire Jaycee family is thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers for many nights to come!##imported-begin##Kellie Jett##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 01:08 PM



“ *Stacia, Robbie, and the Mentus family, my thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. Just know you are surrounded by people who love you and will do anything for you!*

Stacy##imported-begin##Stacy Smith##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 12:57 PM



“ *We will miss you very much, and we love you.##imported-begin##The Hays Family##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 12:52 PM



“ *Cecile,
I am so sorry to hear about your dear son, Robert. Ric and I are keeping you and your family in our prayers.
Linda and Ric Dutton##imported-begin##Linda Dutton##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 12:20 PM



“ Cecile,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time
of sorrow.
Howie and Ann Vreeland##imported-begin##Howard Vreeland
Jr##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 11:24 AM



“ Dear Ceil

*Thinking of you and wishing I was with you during this time - the
death of a child is something no parent should have to endure.*

*What I have learned is that God doesn't make mistakes though and
our challenge lies in accepting what is.*

Eventual surrender does bring peace.

*Many hugs from another sister in sorrow.##imported-begin##Diane
Milliman##imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 10:49 AM



“ Bear,

Your cheery smile and funny jokes will be greatly missed. I will always remember the night you played poker into the wee hours of the morning with Greg and Ernestine and kept beating them. HA

I love ya and will miss you lots!

*God Speed my Friend,
Luce###imported-begin##Luce Burns###imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 10:34 AM



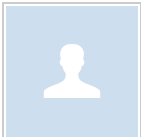
“ Cecile, my prayers and thoughts are with you, may god bless you.

Valerie J Kowalewski

Anderson & Vreeland

*Arlington Heights, Il. 60004###imported-begin##Valerie J
Kowalewski###imported-end##*

March 18, 2009 at 10:16 AM



“ Cecile, Rich, Stacie, Robbie and John,

I was so saddened to hear about Robert. My heartfelt thoughts and deepest prayers go out to all of you in your time of grief. May God keep you in his care and give you comfort. I wish I was there with you to give you a big hug.###imported-begin##Laurie Wenz and family###imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 10:07 AM



“ Dear Stacia:

I don't know where to begin. You and Bear have mean't so very much to our family. I will always treasure the fun times we had together, the weekend in the mountains, Jekyll Island, Swimming in the pool with Wendy and so much more. Please know that we are here for you and Robbie. We will miss Bear with all our hearts.

I love you!##imported-begin##Karen##imported-end##

March 18, 2009 at 08:20 AM



“ Bob,

With our sincere sympathy in the loss of your son Robert. Our prayers are with you.

Love,

Gail and Steve##imported-begin##gail bartow##imported-end##

March 17, 2009 at 06:31 PM



“ We were so shocked to hear of your sudden loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers... We love you guys!

Wayne, Rachel and the girls...##imported-begin##Rachel Paulk Carlisle##imported-end##

March 17, 2009 at 06:08 PM



“ We love you...##imported-begin##Peggy Ewing##imported-end##

March 17, 2009 at 05:58 PM



“ Stacy,

Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this most difficult time. I didn't know you that well, but you were a close friend of Wayne's and he thought highly of both you and Bear. If there is anything we can do beside pray, please let me know. The Lord is always with you and he is your strength. That which troubles us makes us stronger. Love and Prayers, Maryanne Coleman##imported-begin##Maryanne Coleman (Wayne Reynolds Mother)##imported-end##

March 17, 2009 at 04:52 PM