



Edward A. Light

March 14, 2023

Edward Austin Light passed away March 14, 2023 after a lengthy illness. A studious and articulate man, Ed was interested in nearly everything, learning and adding hobbies throughout his life.

Ed had fond childhood memories of summers with his brother William and cousins the Almekinders in Ontario, and attending professional soccer games with his father, Austin. He assisted in his grandfather's furrier store in Rochester, Bala and Sons, and in his father's painting business. Ed graduated from Rochester's Madison High School and St. John Fisher College. Ed was a fan of Monty Python movies, Tarzan, and science fiction/fantasy books. His intelligence, imagination, and sense of the absurd gave him an irreverent wit that won people over. He was the proud father of daughter, Darcy, who grew up sharing his sense of humor.

As a college student, Ed worked at Henner's Liquors in Rochester, and attended Les Amis du Vin meetings with Finger Lakes winemakers. He rapidly learned the art of wine, which became his career. An animal lover, he later developed a passion for aquarium fish and became a regional pet wholesaler. Ed was active in the Rochester Area Killifish Association where he made many friends. He enjoyed trips to Toronto, Boston, Chicago, Charleston, SC, the Napa Valley, Mesa, AZ, and Florida. Ed lived in Clayton, DE for 15 years, returning to the Rochester area later in life.

Predeceased by his parents, Austin and Margaret; and brother, Billy. Survived by his daughter, Darcy Simpson; former wife, Heidi Truschel; and many

cousins and dear friends.

Family and friends may call at the Leo M. Bean and Sons Funeral Home Thursday, April 6th from 4-7pm. Private interment. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

APR 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JD

“ I was so saddened to hear of Ed’s passing. I am a Mahans customer and was frequently greeted by his cheerful and friendly face. I relied on his wine advice and he loved to share it. I missed him very much when he stopped working there and had no idea he was so ill. He was a wonderful person and he will be missed. May you rest in peace Ed. ❤️

Jackie Danno - April 07, 2023 at 06:07 PM

DD

“ While I never knew Edward, his father was my father’s best friend (Don Dowling) and I have fond memories of Austin and Margaret from the old days. I think I recall when Edward was born. I’m 83. You may have known Art and Arlene. RIP Ed. Don Dowling jr.

Don Dowling - April 03, 2023 at 08:42 PM

MM

“ I had the pleasure of working with Ed for 7 years a Mahans. Got to know his wonderful sense of humor, great taste in music and remarkable knowledge of wines. He taught me a lot about wines, how to keep stacks full and restock from overflow. He was a gentle soul, cared greatly about his job and showed care and interest in my life and family. I was so lucky to have had that opportunity to get to know him, learn from him and laugh with him. Rest in Peace my friend, free from all pain and suffering.

Mark Mrowka

Mark p Mrowka - April 02, 2023 at 10:05 PM

MP

“ *What an amazing friend! I'm grateful that we had some time together here in Mesa AZ so I could prove to you that the desert isn't just brown! In fact, the snow has melted off the peaks of the Superstition mountains and the desert floor is covered in golden poppies. You would approve...
Just heard a song by Stevie Ray Vaughn, Life By The Drop.
"Up and down the road in worn out shoes, talking about good things and singing the blues"
We certainly shared some good times and loved blues music.
I'll see you at the big blues review in heaven my friend.*

Michael Paulson - March 31, 2023 at 06:56 PM

AM

“ Ed, I'll always remember the times we had together. We met in Madison High school and immediately became great friends. I will forever remember the great times we had hanging out at Perry's Bowling Center drinking 25 cent Genny beers, or playing poker at Ray's apartment on Dewey avenue.

Weekly, we'd look for schools that had basket ball courts outside and always found time to play. I always brought the ball and Ed couldn't figure out where I got them because neither of us had much money. Well, Ed now I can tell you that I used to get them at the Salvation Army store on West avenue. They were used balls of course and they were not very good ones but they cost only 50 cents each.

We'd do goofy things together after school, like going to my house and making fried banana splits... one day we broiled some hot dogs only to find out later that my mother had previously sprayed the broiler with "Easy Off" oven cleaner and left it on there to soak.. who knew...we both joked that neither of us were quite right after that meal.

We were "best man" at each of our weddings.. I had only one wedding, but Ed found a way to have several weddings. I think he did it because he liked a good party.

He quoted to me once and I'll never forget. " If I've known you long enough, you'll be my "best man" at one of my weddings.

Ed you'll forever be in my heart and my memories.

Augie Megalo

Augie Megalo - March 31, 2023 at 01:04 PM

KM

“ My heart is broken with Ed's passing but he'll be in my heart forever. He was my bonus brother. The memories we shared will live on. ❤️

Kathy Mullaney - March 27, 2023 at 05:28 PM

ED

“ *Elecia, Steve, Mark, Gabe, Noah, & Danielle purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Edward A. Light.*



Elecia, Steve, Mark, Gabe, Noah, & Danielle - March 27, 2023 at 04:06 PM



“ *50 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Leo M. Bean and Sons Funeral Home - March 27, 2023 at 12:26 PM