



## David Lynn Heyman

July 30, 2020

Dave Heyman, born December 28, 1950, passed away July 30, 2020, peacefully at home with his family in Fort Collins, Colorado. He is survived by his wife, MaryAnne (Hug) Heyman, of Fort Collins, Colorado. He is also survived by his children's families, including Claire and Matthew Boyles, of Loveland, Colorado; Zac Hug and Daniel Park, of Los Angeles, California; as well as Maggie and Daniel Hotch, of Klukwan, Alaska. Known as Pop to his grandchildren, Madzie, Simon, Raven, Michaelene, and David Anthony, Dave leaves behind a legacy of kindness, grit, and patience.

Born in Norwalk, Ohio, to Ruth (Camp) Heyman and Delbert Heyman, Dave attended St. Paul's High School, as did his surviving siblings: John Heyman, Cathy Mellen, Marcia Strall, and Sue Fenwick. Dave was an All-American High School Football player in 1968, served in the United States Army, and later worked for Hug Concrete Paving in Norwalk. Despite numerous health challenges throughout his life, Dave Heyman was always the loudest laugh in any room.

An active swimmer, Dave Heyman loved sunbathing, Pepsi, The Simpsons, having a dog around the house, and the Green Bay Packers. He took great delight in making a baby in a stroller laugh whenever he got the chance. He was an ardent optimist and had two favorite words: "patience" and "MaryAnne." The Heymans spent the better part of their marriage in a

relentless pursuit of happiness: traveling the United States, moving their family to Lake Tahoe, and finally settling in Fort Collins, Colorado. Though medical personnel often referred to MaryAnne as his “primary caregiver,” Dave was always adamant that they call her his wife. They were married for 46 years.

An online celebration of Dave’s life will be held on August 23rd that will go live at 3pmPT/6pmET (so 4pm Colorado time). Access the online celebration here: <https://www.daveheymanmemorial.com>. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Operation Homefront, which helps provide housing for veterans and military families at [operationhomefront.org](http://operationhomefront.org).

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Lynn Heyman*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *I always enjoyed going with Dave for exercise at the Senior Center on Tuesdays, and listening to our favorite country songs on the radio on the drive over...His dedication to his weekly workouts was an inspiration...*

*Jonathan Zeif (SHS)*

**Jonathan Zeif** - August 31, 2020 at 08:35 PM



“ *So very sorry to hear of David's passing. He was such a tenacious fighter battling all obstacles life put before him. But at the same time keeping his humanity. He will be missed. Condolences to everyone in his family. Sue and Bill Hickey and family. ❤️🙏*

**Sue (Strall) Hickey** - August 29, 2020 at 12:12 PM



“ *Dave, we will miss your laugh and sense of humor. I close my eyes and still heard you laughing 4 houses away, at Seinfeld, even tho you seen that episode 7 times. But let's not forget when Jim and I got us all removed by two police from the theater in Truckee while we were watching Huckleberry Finn PG movie because we told the manager we weren't leaving while you ate your pizza in an empty theater an hour before the movie even started. Oh the memories! You were our best friend that changed mine and Jim's lives. We will miss you.*



**Debra Spenella** - August 26, 2020 at 09:00 PM

ZA

*We tell that pizza story all the time!*

zac - August 29, 2020 at 02:01 PM

JG

“ *Such a beautiful memorial for a wonderful husband, father, son and brother! Jeff and I will keep you and your family in our prayers. -love to all of you -Jeff and Annette Graham*

Jeff and Annette Graham - August 24, 2020 at 08:20 PM

MA



MaryAnne - August 26, 2020 at 01:41 AM

YV

“ *My heart is with you MaryAnne and family. Beautiful memorial. Yvonne Wootten - Mary of Magdala, ECC*

Yvonne - August 24, 2020 at 12:36 PM

KH

“ *A truly beautifully done Memorial to a remarkable man. The love, patience and caring throughout your family is seen in the Memorial to Dave.* ❤️

Kirsten Hartman - August 24, 2020 at 11:10 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of David Lynn Heyman.*



August 23, 2020 at 08:47 PM

AL

“ Dear Zac, Claire, Maggie, Patrick, Maryanne--

*Thank you for sharing this tribute. I've met many and sundry Hugs/Haymens/Hymens/Mellons over the years and Dave's story has come to me through each of you. It was lovely to spend this time with him here today, too. I'm thinking of you all.*

*Much love,  
Alexis*

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**Alexis** - August 23, 2020 at 07:26 PM

TA

“ *The Ambergs lit a candle in memory of David Lynn Heyman*



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**The Ambergs** - August 23, 2020 at 07:02 PM

TE

“ *The service was so beautiful. The memories and the picture of Dave shared through all the stories and song and poetry were perfect and made me miss him all the more. I can't believe he's gone. Sending all my love to you, MaryAnne, Zac, Claire, Maggie and the whole extended family. You are a part of my extended family and I miss you all dearly. much love, Toddy*

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**Toddy (Burton) Eames** - August 23, 2020 at 07:00 PM

GT

“*MaryAnne, I think I met Dave only once or twice at your home. The Celebration of his life I just watched was an amazing tribute to him, and to your entire family! Zac's eulogy and the readings/reflections by your girls demonstrated a deep love and respect for Dave that is seldom found today. I wish I could give you a hug, but I guess Zoom meetings will have to do for now. Prayers for comfort as you all grieve his passing and adjust to life without him.*

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**Gordon Thayer** - August 23, 2020 at 06:57 PM

PA

“*So many memories of Dave from so many years. His entry into Heaven had to have been glorious and just imagine the splendid audience who awaited him!  
Your wonderful family loved and appreciated his unique life. No dad prouder, no granddad more enthralled with the antics of the young ones, no Flyer happier to see his old team-mates, no star shone brighter than the love shared with MaryAnne.  
Thank you for sharing this tribute! Thank you for being his legacy.*

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**Patty** - August 23, 2020 at 06:55 PM

RE

“*I didn't have the honor of meeting Mr. Heyman, but I feel like I knew him through Zac's stories about him. Zac would have us all cackling as he told us about his Dad's incomparable wit and patience. I am so sorry but am also deeply moved by love of this incredible family - I don't think any man has ever been loved more than you all loved Mr. Heyman.*

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**Renee** - August 23, 2020 at 06:53 PM



“ *What an incredibly beautiful tribute. Thank you for including us and sharing such wonderful stories and contributions. We send you all the love and hold you in our hearts.*



*Love,  
Lily & Oliver*

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**Lily Baran** - August 23, 2020 at 06:49 PM



“ *Thinking of your family during this time. Sending love and prayers from LA.*

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**Megan Lynn & Wade Solomon** - August 23, 2020 at 06:20 PM



“ *I'm so very sorry for your loss. I will always associate my Uncle Dave with laughter - the big, shoulder-shaking, spit out your drink, descend into fits of giggles snorting while wiping away happy tears type of laughter. I love you, Uncle Dave, and we'll see each other again.*

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**Jennifer Mellen** - August 23, 2020 at 06:19 PM



*Love you Jennifer.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 27, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ Dearest Zac, I am so sorry for your loss and so deeply thankful to your phenomenal Dad for bringing you into this world and all of our lives. I loved and still love seeing your videos and posts and memories of Dave. What a glorious and kind, funny man. But of course, right? Love to you and all of yours,  
Stephanie Belding

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**Stephanie Belding** - August 23, 2020 at 06:13 PM



“ Thank you Dave for being a second father growing up You were always the kindest and warmest of people to me and my family, we love you dearly.

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**Justin Spenella** - August 23, 2020 at 06:05 PM



Thanks Justin

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**MaryAnne** - August 27, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ Sending all our love from the Poor Family. We love you all so much. Mary, John, Zinnia, and Aven

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**Mary S Poor** - August 23, 2020 at 06:03 PM



Thanks, Poor family.

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**MaryAnne** - August 27, 2020 at 10:32 AM

 Daniel  
Cordova

“ Zac and family - so very sorry for your loss. I never got to meet David, but it is clear from knowing you that he created such an exceptional and wonderful family filled with amazing people who help make this world a better, more joyous place.

*Here's to David - may his memory live on through the hearts and lives of his loved ones.*

*Daniel*

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**Daniel Cordova** - August 23, 2020 at 06:00 PM

 Erin  
Rodman

“ Sending love and condolences to the whole Heyman family - you are such a special, wonderful bunch of people and i'm so sorry for your loss. It was my great joy to meet David a few times, and hear stories about him from Zac over the years. A singular man and an incredible family. Love to you all.

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**Erin Rodman** - August 23, 2020 at 05:59 PM

DH

“ pop had a bond with me we liked the same movies we had the same names and we both did sports

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**david hotch** - August 23, 2020 at 05:47 PM

MA

*David, you and Pop had a wonderful bond. Love and miss you.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 27, 2020 at 10:33 AM

CI

“ *MaryAnne & family,  
Every time I saw David, he was smiling. He lived life to the fullest of his ability. I know he cherished & loved his family & friends. He will be deeply missed.*  
*CindyFiscus*

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**Cindy** - August 23, 2020 at 05:23 PM

MA

“ *Today and everyday I pray that God gives David peace. That all of us left here do our work, love each other, and laugh like he did while watching all the crazy TV shows and movies with no apologies! God Bless you Dave.*

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**Marcia** - August 23, 2020 at 03:36 PM

NM

“ *I always loved hearing all the stories about Dave from Zac, over the years. The road trip, the wonderful relationship they had- I felt like I knew him. Sending much love and holding you all my thoughts.*

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**Naidre Miller** - August 23, 2020 at 03:28 PM

MA

*Thanks Naidre.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 25, 2020 at 12:48 AM

EC

“ *Zac, I'm sorry for your loss. I never got to meet your dad. You have become such a great friend and such a great uncle to my kids - so I know that I get to experience your dad's legacy through our friendship. Here's to his great life and legacy!*

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**Ed Center** - August 23, 2020 at 11:55 AM

ZA

*Thank you for this, Ed. Kindness and grit and patience were the ways he lived in the world. Which is pretty solidly the kind of dads you both are. XO*

**Zac** - August 23, 2020 at 03:42 PM

MH

“*My cousin David was six years older than I and I always saw him as larger than life. I remember going to watch his various high school sporting events and he was so big and tall and seemed like a superstar. I could not believe it would have been possible for someone like him could be injured like he was in the accident. I remember sitting with MaryAnne and David at a wedding a short time after the accident and I don't think I realized even then the permanency and challenges of his injuries. I was privileged to reconnect with David and met his son a few years ago when he came to Norwalk for a family reunion. I shared some family stories and photos that I had found in my father's effects. Although his physical body had suffered, he still had his quick wit and sense of humor that I had admired from afar when he was my "famous" (in my small town, anyway) sports hero. I was so sorry to read of his latest struggle and death. God Bless you all and especially MaryAnne.*

**Maryellen Heyman Hamernik** - August 22, 2020 at 01:08 PM

MA

*Thanks Maryellen. ❤️*

**MaryAnne** - August 23, 2020 at 09:51 AM

JQ

“ MaryAnne-

*All the words that come to mind are simply inadequate...as is my personal knowledge of David. It's clear from reading some of the memories written here that the world has lost an incredible human being. The smile on his face is genuine and infectious. Seeing you together at MoM a handful of times was the closest I came to knowing either of you and yet what I witnessed was both beautiful and too rare. There was a quiet sense of belonging, togetherness and deep love between you and David. It was - and will continue to be - truly inspiring. My heart hurts for you, your families and all the friends who will feel this loss so profoundly in the coming months and years. You are not alone.*

*~jmq*

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**Julie Quihuiz** - August 17, 2020 at 03:17 PM

MA

*Thanks Julie.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 17, 2020 at 06:29 PM

JH

“ John Hug purchased the Godiva Gold Ballotin (3 6 pc) for the family of David Lynn Heyman.



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**John Hug** - August 09, 2020 at 07:41 PM

SB

“ *Maryanne and family,*

*My heart and prayers are with you all, but I still have to smile when I think of Dave. We shared so many good times way back when. I need to brush up on the statute of limitations before I share them all. Our hunting trip that ended with me losing my drivers license; the high school antics; the card games; our trip to Vegas, the Jaycees. Dave was always just smiling, soaking it all in and seeing the best in everyone ... seeing the humor in it all. I will carry him in my heart. Love to you all!*

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**Steve Bleile** - August 06, 2020 at 11:33 PM

MA

*Love.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 07, 2020 at 08:39 PM

GH

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Gene Hettel** - August 06, 2020 at 09:25 PM

MA

*Thanks, Gene* ❤️

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**MaryAnne** - August 07, 2020 at 08:37 PM

MA

*Thanks for the Memory, Gene* ❤️

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**MaryAnne** - August 17, 2020 at 06:31 PM

AH

“ So sorry to hear of your loss, MaryAnne. Dave and your family and I go back a long way, to kindergarten. Dave was always a friend to everyone. Did not get to see you much after you moved west but I did check up on you when I could. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Andrew Heydinger - August 05, 2020 at 07:33 PM

MA

Thanks Andy.

MaryAnne - August 23, 2020 at 09:53 AM

DF

“ Such sad news, I am so sorry MaryAnne. I only met him a few times, and still remember his smile and great sense of humor. My family and I wish you strength and peace.

David Fraser - August 05, 2020 at 12:26 PM

MA

Thanks, David.

MaryAnne - August 23, 2020 at 09:53 AM

KH

“ Oh MaryAnne and family, such sad news of Dave's passing. I know the last few months have been a more difficult than others. I will remember Dave's quiet, but strong presence, along with his heartfelt huge smile. I know that his love of all of you will remain in your hearts. I send you prayers of support and love. 💕

Kirsten Hartman - August 05, 2020 at 11:04 AM

MA

Thanks, Kirsten.

MaryAnne - August 23, 2020 at 09:54 AM

RB

“ *MaryAnne, I always enjoyed chatting with you and Dave at the G5 meetings. I'm sure he was a special Husband, Father and Grandfather. I too have the special name of Pop from my GKids.*

*Praying for you and your family.*

*Bob and Marsha Bachman*

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**ROBERT BACHMAN** - August 04, 2020 at 11:23 PM

MA

*Thanks to both of you.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 23, 2020 at 09:55 AM

CR

“ *I am so sorry for your loss but know the strength you demonstrated through the years will continue with the grace of the Lord, to get you through the days ahead. May you feel the comfort of the Holy Spirit and the perfect peace of the Lord.  
Love the picture you chose of Dave.  
Sincerely, Chris [Robertson] Routh*

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**Christine Routh** - August 04, 2020 at 07:52 PM

MA

*Thank you, Chris.*

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**MaryAnne** - August 23, 2020 at 09:55 AM

MK

“ That is such a great photo of Dave! Always smiling and trying hard to communicate despite the "short straw" he was given as a young man. Dave had a lot to live for and look forward to because of his wonderful relationship with MaryAnne, his kids, and the entire extended family. Rest in peace my friend.

Mark Kornblau - August 04, 2020 at 03:28 PM

MA

Thanks Mark.

MaryAnne - August 23, 2020 at 09:56 AM

RO

“ I'm sorry I never had the pleasure of meeting David. My thoughts and prayers are with MaryAnne and the entire family.

Ray Olson - August 04, 2020 at 03:05 PM

MA

Thanks, Ray.

MaryAnne - August 23, 2020 at 09:56 AM



“ This is my American family. I will never forget how they make me feel since the beginning in a country that was not mine. Everything was easier because of them. I felt the warmth and welcome that I never expected and they made hard to go back in Italy at the end of the year. Dave was a silent but strong presence. I will never forget the Sundays watching futbol or the Christmass dinners. Death leaved you helpless and now that a piece of my American family flew away not being able to give even a hug is unbearable. Love Marika

Marika Favé - August 04, 2020 at 12:37 AM

CB

*This is so lovely Marika, thank you. Lots of love. Claire <3*

**Claire Boyles** - August 04, 2020 at 11:01 AM

ZA

“ Hello, team. First, thank you for the notes, and the food, and the flowers and all the other ways we've gotten to feel held and loved and appreciated. A note that we're all holding up pretty well and also wooboy. Ouch. I wanted to take a quick second to add this to the wall. Because I've watched it a LOT the last few days, and I think this is pretty much exactly how a lot of us remember my dad? This was one morning at Seattle Children's Hospital, when we'd gone to visit Maggie and David Anthony. (We've often been the people laughing at the hospital, it's...kind of our thing.) Anyway, I asked Dad how his orange juice tasted and he said "nnn. A little bit...jimmy?" And neither of us knew what he meant, but yes we did? And then this happened. Not our first time, and not our last. But this is one minute and eleven seconds of easily one of the most beautiful things that's ever happened to me.



**Zac** - August 03, 2020 at 02:26 PM



*What a beautiful memory of your dad! Thank you for sharing. Jerri*

**Jerri Hipp** - August 04, 2020 at 01:23 PM

JM

*Maryann and children, We are so sorry to hear about Dave's passing. He certainly was a trouper. The video was great, hearing him laugh til he was almost crying. How beautiful.! We hope that all of the happy memories ease your loss.*

*George and Joyce Mesenburg*

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**Joyce and George Mesenburg** - August 04, 2020 at 03:44 PM

JH

*It was always such a pleasure to see Dave. He was always ready to have a laugh about any kind of mischief that came to mind. His own or others.*

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**John Hug** - August 09, 2020 at 07:25 PM

SU

*Oh that laugh! Thanks Zac! I needed that! Sue*

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**Sue** - August 23, 2020 at 07:30 PM

PR

*MaryAnne ~ your beautiful family has been in our thoughts and prayers and will continue to be. Zac did a fabulous job with his eulogy as did the girls with their readings. Dave's laugh and smile will always be etched in our memories of him. Our love to all. Jerry and Pam Reichert*

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**Pam Reichert** - August 24, 2020 at 09:38 PM