



Karl Andrew Zitzow

October 6, 1971 - September 4, 2015

' Karl Andrew Zitzow, resident of Collinsville, passed from this life on Friday evening, September 4, 2015 at the age of 43 years. Karl was born October 6, 1971 in Stoneham, MA to Warren Alan and Sharon Ann (Bilicki) Zitzow. He was raised in Portsmouth, NH until the age of eleven, when they moved to Stillwater, New York where he graduated high school in 1990. Following high school, Karl enlisted in the U.S. Army, honorably serving his country. He then moved to Albany, NY where he worked for Blue Cross/Blue Shield until coming to Oklahoma seven years ago and went to work for Cox Communications. Karl loved spending time with his family, traveling and listening to music. Those that survive include his mother Åçâ,¬â€œ Sharon Leclercq and husband Richard of Collinsville; Father Warren Zitzow of Alton, NH; Brothers Åçâ,¬â€œ Warren A. Zitzow, Jr and wife Lana and their children Samantha, Jessica, Kayla and Warren Connor all of Owasso; Charles S. Zitzow and children Dominic, Orion and Zion; Sisters Åçâ,¬â€œ Jennifer Rambo and husband Chris and sons Roger and Henry, all of Owasso and Bridget Harper and daughter Lauren of Tulsa. Also surviving is a niece Cadence Denise Leclercq, daughter of his brother Robert Leclercq, who preceded him in death; and grandparents Stella M. Zitzow of Reading, MA and John A. Bilicki of Wildwood, FL. Visitation for Karl will be on Thursday, Sept. 10th from 4-8pm at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. A celebration of his life will be at 11:00 AM Friday, Sept. 11, 2015 at St. Therese Catholic Church, Collinsville with Father Richard Cristler officiating. Burial will follow in

the St. Therese Cemetery. Those that would like to honor Karl's life, in lieu of flowers, are asked to contribute to: Clarehouse of Tulsa, 7617 South Mingo Road, Tulsa, OK 74133. Arrangements and services have been entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso. www.moweryfs.com

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ Jessica, I didn't know you had lost your dad. I was looking through the obituaries for my mother's (Dec. 24, 2014) and saw his. I am so very sorry that you lost your father at a young age. You will always be one of the bright spots in my teaching career. How I loved teaching you. I love you. ~Miss Johnston

Linda Johnston - April 20, 2018 at 12:25 PM

JH

“ 'Karl there"s not a day that passes that I don"t think about you. From the moment we met there was just a connection between us. You truly were my wonder twin. I will love and miss you until we meet again WT. Rest well sweet friend.'

Jerri Harris - September 14, 2015 at 02:47 AM

DO

“ 'I am so glad I had the pleasure of meeting you through our school years and hang out in the park that we all have so many memories of.I am so glad to be able to call you my friend you are def one of a kind and will be missed by so many.\r\n rip my friend'

Doreen - September 12, 2015 at 12:20 AM

SH

“*'Madonna, Cher, TLC, Mariah Carey, Toni Braxton, Britney spears, Janet Jackson the list goes on and on. So many people places and things that keep you in my head all day. My life flashes before my eyes now every moment of every day. I'm very thankful that you no longer suffer in any way at all now. I consider myself one of the luckiest people in the world when it comes to friends. I really truly have life long amazing friends. You said you would save me a spot so just make sure your place isn't full of cats and I won't bring a bunch of kids. Lol. God needs you right now to help with all this hate in the world. I have a feeling America is going to start healing now. You've achieved so many things while you were here in the short time you were. The possibilities are endless now in eternity. Always and forever no matter what. Xoxo'*

sharon hempstead - September 11, 2015 at 01:27 AM

TO

“*'You already had your halo now your getting your wings fly high and sip God bless'*

Tammy Oneill - September 10, 2015 at 05:00 PM

KM

“*'Karl...
The angels looked down from heaven one night
They searched for miles afar,
And deep within the distance
They could see a shining star.
They knew that very instant
That the star was theirs to gain,
So they took you up to heaven
Forever to remain.
Look down on us from heaven
Keep us free from hurt and pain,
You'll always be within my heart
Until we all meet again.'*

Keena Maxwell - September 10, 2015 at 04:28 PM

LH

“ *'Karl you had a big heart and such a warm smile. You will be missed!'*

Lisa Herring - September 10, 2015 at 03:43 PM

VG

“ *'Karl, I first met you in The Army at Fort Drum, NY. From the moment I saw you I knew we would have a connection that would last forever. 22 years later through letters, telephone calls, and our trip to New York we continued our beautiful friendship. Everyone wanted to be around your magnetic and contagious spirit. You made everyone feel their worth and beauty at times when we'd doubt ourselves. What a gift you have to touch peoples hearts with yours. I'm a better person for having you in my life and soul. Our connection was always music you understood how important music is to me and my passion for it. You felt the same and we always exchanged our favorite songs. I know you'll always be with me. I feel you with my music, a gentle breeze on a beautiful fall day. and a light shinning in the dark. I love you my sweet beautiful friend. This is not good-bye until our eyes meet again. Keep me close to your heart. Love you Val '*

Valerie And Jenni Gale - September 10, 2015 at 02:34 PM

MC

“ *'My dear friend Karl, Words can't explain how sad my heart is... If I would have never went to Stillwater in 1987 I would have never met you... We had fun in High School and I am so glad we kept in touch for all these years...I liked staying in touch on face book and seeing your smiling face, You will always have a special place in my heart, I will never forget you... Rest in Peace my friend, Until we meet again....'*

Michelle Crain - September 09, 2015 at 11:50 PM



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September 09, 2015 at 08:23 PM



“ *'Karl, you radiated such a positive energy and your smile lit up every room you entered. I had the privilege of co-facilitating several training classes with you and it was so clear that standing in front of a classroom is where you belonged. I know it gave you great joy. You were the most loyal friend anyone could ever wish to have in their life. You loved your family with such a passion and I know they loved you right back. Sending love and prayers to each of them especially your precious mother. I will miss you, My Sweet Friend. Every time I hear Cyndi Lauper I will think of you and how you and your true colors, true colors beautiful like a rainbow'*

Lilli Bassett - September 09, 2015 at 07:25 PM



“ *'Karl - Rest in peace my friend. I will miss our chats, and sharing our travel adventures. I will miss your forever smile, and always helpful nature. I will miss laughing with you at everything we talked about. I will miss you dearly my friend. My thoughts and prayers will be with your family to help them through this. '*

Liza Ellis - September 09, 2015 at 04:30 PM



“ *'I will always remember our good times. A lot of Smiles, Laughter, and Music! Love you always Karl!'*

Ann Potter - September 09, 2015 at 03:59 PM

BS

“*'Karl was a bright ray of sunshine. It was my honor to know him. He had a heart of gold. He will be greatly missed. My prayers for his family and friends struggling to deal with this loss.'*

Barbara Smith - September 09, 2015 at 03:59 PM

LH

“*'I had only met Karl once and had a brief work history with him, but I knew right away that he was a special person. He had a warmth and inter joy that put me at ease and invited comfort and relationship. He seemed a truly fun and kind person. My condolences to his family and friends. Even though my encounter with his delightful soul, was fleeting, I feel true loss.'*

Lauri Hauser - September 09, 2015 at 03:33 PM

TG

“*'Karl shared so much inspiration with every person he met. He always shared a positive word, a smile and the ability to brighten up the room. Karl was so devoted to supporting the development of others and had such a passion for training and assisting the success of his coworkers. Karl taught me so much. Certainly Karl has touched many and will be missed and I share my prayers to family and friends in these difficult times.'*

Terry Gaskill - September 09, 2015 at 03:22 PM

LJ

“*'Karl you are the nicest person I ever known you always had a smile on your face know matter what you was going thru your self it's your time to rest my friend I pray for peace for your family and friends at this time love you and miss you'*

Linda Jones - September 09, 2015 at 11:17 AM

LA

“ *'My heart is heavy and sad that the world has lost such a wonderful and caring person. Karl was such an inspiration to everyone he met. I am so blessed to have had the privilege of knowing him and my life is better for it. He was so amazing and I am in awe of his strength and positive perseverance through the worst of situations. I will miss his quick wit and his beautiful smile. My prayers for all of his family and friends for healing and peace. Fly now with the angels my friend. '*

Lanell Arnold - September 09, 2015 at 12:55 AM



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September 09, 2015 at 12:40 AM

RW

“ *'Thank you Karl for always being such a loving, kind person.. for blessing me everytime I saw you.. for always having a hug and a kind word ready! Anyone that knew you was always blessed when you were there! The world would sure be a much better place if we had more people like you! It hurts my heart to know you will not be among us here anymore but I will definately look for you with the angels when I arrive! My prayers are with your family as they go through this extremely difficult time.'*

Rose Weeks - September 08, 2015 at 11:40 PM

LR

“ *'Karl, thank you for being a positive example and array of sunshine to us. you have touched many lives and you will be missed. '*

Leroy Record - September 08, 2015 at 08:27 PM

RB

“*'Karl, you were all of seven years old when we first met. A happy, vibrant child that welcomed me into the family with your childhood innocence. You were happy to be getting an Auntie. The years traveled along, and you became an exceptional man. People really enjoyed your company, the happiness you gave to others. You will forever be in my heart. With love, Auntie Roberta.'*

Roberta Bilicki - September 08, 2015 at 08:20 PM

AD

“*'Karl, there will be a hole in my heart that will never be the same- You were by far one of the most gentle, kind, and generous person I have ever met. I know we will see eachother again! Your friend ALWAYS! Annie '*

Annie Duncan - September 08, 2015 at 06:26 PM

KR

“*'Karl"s smile was contagious and always made a good day even better. He saw the silver lining and joy in all situations and was always there to talk, support and make people laugh. Karl, keep smiling and know that you are loved and missed. '*

Katie Ridley - September 08, 2015 at 05:49 PM

DK

“*'I had the distinct honor and pleasure of working with Karl. He brought an energy and perspective that inspired others. He was excellent at his job! To his loved ones that sustained this terrible loss, please know that Karl made our lives better by having known him!'*

Debbie Kloker - September 08, 2015 at 05:38 PM

NM

“*'Karl was truly an amazing person. He always had a smile on his face and was the first to volunteer to help out. The passion he had for training, for his fellow coworkers and always doing the right thing serves as an inspiration to all who worked with Karl. Karl, our dear friend you will be missed. '*

Nancy Murphy - September 08, 2015 at 03:16 PM

BC

“*'No words to describe the loss of such a great person. Karl, it was an honor to have known you that wonderful smile, great generosity & always there when anyone to just vent or talk. Rest in peace my friend & always smile that beautiful smile. Prayers to family & friends in this time of sorrow. '*

Brenda Chaney - September 08, 2015 at 02:55 PM

VP

“ 'To Karl's Family: No words at this time can help take away the pain and emptiness you are feeling in regard to the loss of your beloved Karl; your Love for him will never die. I am extremely heartbroken and saddened to hear of Karl's passing. There is no other man on the face of this Earth that could ever begin to hold a candle to Karl; he was a one and only and a rare breed, with a Breathtaking Smile and a Heart of Gold. The joy, the laughter and the happiness he brought to so many people will never be forgotten, not to mention his calmness and extraordinary positive outlook on life itself! The love for his family shined from his handsome face as he boasted with proudness about each and every one of them. The abundance of friends Karl accumulated over the years is an endless list in which he treated all with honesty and respect. You Rock on my friend, I Love You and you will Always and forever live in my Heart. You are the Best . God Bless You Karl; shine Bright my Friend'

Vicky Potter - September 07, 2015 at 11:54 PM

CP

“ 'Karl I am so lucky to have had the honor of knowing you! To me you were like another uncle in my family. Just goes to show that friends are the family you choose. I am so glad my family chose you! I am thinking of you and all the great times! I hope you are at peace. You may gone but will never be forgotten. You were truly one of a kind. Love always Red '

Christine Potter-Burroughs - September 07, 2015 at 11:28 PM

TB

“ *'My heart is saddened as God took another earth bound angel back home. Karl was more than a cheerful, happy man, he was a presence that you couldn't ignore and one you wanted to be around. He will be missed and mourned but he will never be forgotten. '*

Tanya Beulac - September 07, 2015 at 10:46 PM



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September 07, 2015 at 09:49 PM

DS

“ *'Karl was a joy to know! He always welcomed the day with a smile and a cheerful laugh. I loved chatting with him:) He Will be dearly missed. My prayers are with his family!!!!'*

Dorenda Squire - September 07, 2015 at 09:38 PM

BB

“ *'Rest in peace my nephew and Godson. We will miss your smile charm and wit. May you rest in God's hand until we meet up again Love Uncle Barry'*

Barry Bilicki - September 07, 2015 at 07:23 PM

KC

“ *'Karl you have touched so many people with your laughter, your smile and you wit and most of all your selfies to bad there is no facebook in haven. Going to miss ya rest in peace my friend. My prayers go out to your family and friends to help them through this difficult time. '*

katherine currey - September 07, 2015 at 03:01 PM