



Erik Paul Mason

July 31, 2010

Erik Paul Mason died on July 31, 2010 at the age of 56 in Leiden, The Netherlands. Born in Quincy, Illinois, he was the devoted husband to his wife of 23 years Charlotte (Schaeffer) of Cornwall, Pennsylvania and the very proud father of his 15-year old son William. Erik graduated from Principia College in Clayton, Missouri with a Bachelor of Arts in Geology. He went on to get his Master of Science in Geology from Oklahoma State University. His subsequent career was one of distinction and service to the field of geology which he loved. He began his career with Exploration Logging, moved to Phillips Petroleum, and then to the Shell Oil Company, where he spent the last twenty-two years. Erik became a leader within the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, serving as its Vice President in 2003 and 2004. His many years of service to AAPG culminated in his receipt of their Distinguished Service Award in 2007. He also received various awards from the New Orleans and Houston Geological Societies. His greatest contribution to the industry, however, may have been his unwavering commitment to the development of young geologists, both inside and outside Shell Oil Company. Erik was an exceptionally nice guy. His soft spoken, yet firm manner impressed and endeared him to everyone he knew. In addition to his wife and son, Erik is survived by his mother Patricia J. Goddard and her husband John of Ponte Vedra, Florida; his brother Kirk and wife Eileen of Gurnee, Illinois; his brother Rex and wife Heath of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; and ten nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday August 10, 2010 at 9:30

AM from the Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, 618 E. Main Street, Annville, PA 17003. Interment will be held in Laureldale Cemetery, Reading, PA. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 9:00 AM till time of service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family has established a memorial fund in his name to support the education of young, promising geologists at Oklahoma State University. Contributions may be directed to the OSU Foundation, P.O. Box 1749, Stillwater, OK 74076. Please indicate "Erik Mason Memorial Fund in Geology".

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ *May God bless the Mason family. You are in our prayers.*

Jon & Michelle Spilger - August 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ *We are so sorry you had to lose a loved one at should a young age. Our prayers go out to you and your son. Bob & Maryann Krause Beth Behm (Bahsteter's) mother and a friend of your parents*

Bob & Maryann Krause - August 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ *Dear Nikki, Bob and I were really sorry to hear about Erik and our hearts go out to you and William. If you need a place to stay in Texas to sort things out, Bob and I have a home in Austin now and you are very welcome to stay there Again, please accept our sympathies. Tina Jefferis*

Tina Jefferis - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Dear Nikki and William, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We knew Erik will be greatly missed. Cathey and Kelly*

Cathey & Kelly Wetzal - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM