

## MARK S. WEIS



Age 66, of Gibsonia, PA passed away after a valiant fight against Pancreatic Cancer on July 31, 2024. Born in Pittsburgh, PA Mark is survived by his wife, Debbie, sons, Jason and Matthew, mother and stepfather, Fay and Frank Ribich. He is also survived by siblings Shereen Hoffmann (Michael) and Daniel Weis (Robyn); Sister-in-law Sharon Donlon (Michael) and nieces and nephews Adam Solomon,

Melissa Solomon, Rachel Weis, Zachary Weis and Joshua Weis. Mark was a dedicated and beloved husband, father, son, brother, brother-in-law, and uncle.

Mark grew up in Monroeville, PA and attended Gateway High School (Class of 1976). He went on to pursue an undergraduate degree in accounting at Penn State Main Campus in State College, PA and a JD from Dickinson School of Law. While working for a "Big Eight" accounting firm in Central Pennsylvania, he pursued a Master of Law in Taxation (LLM) from Georgetown University.

Following completion of his LLM, Mark began what became a highly successful career that spanned over three decades as an Estate Planning and Tax Attorney. Mark developed long lasting relationships with both his colleagues and clients, many of whom became dear friends. He was known as their "problem solver" - and was always willing to help others in ways that went far beyond his areas of technical expertise.

Mark met his wife Debbie shortly after he moved back to Pittsburgh in 1989; they married in 1992. Mark was a devoted husband and father to his sons Jason and Matthew. He was a huge proponent and supporter of Debbie's full-time career, gladly helping with a range of duties on the home front. As a dad, he beamed at his sons' accomplishments, whether academic, athletic, or related to their blossoming careers. He loved helping them learn how to read at a young age and was often found working through flashcards or reading books to them at bedtime. As they grew up, some of Mark's favorite moments were coaching their teams and cheering the boys on from the sidelines of the soccer, baseball, and football fields as well as from the stands at many a basketball game or swim meet. He also loved warm weather vacations, and especially enjoyed family trips to Hilton Head, SC and the Hawaiian Islands, as well as cruising in the Caribbean islands.

Mark was a lover of all sports - including the Pittsburgh Steelers, Penguins, and Pirates, as well as the Boston Celtics. He was also an avid fan of college football and basketball. Mark's happy place was being back in State College, PA - attending Penn State football games at Beaver Stadium. He loved nothing more than a fall football weekend in Happy Valley, and especially looked forward to annual white out nights. When Mark wasn't working or watching sports, he was an avid gym-goer, often pushing his friends and even instructors from the gym to achieve new heights in their workouts.

In recent years, Mark served as a volunteer on the Charitable Gifts Committee at Penn State, helping with fundraising efforts and providing tax advice on major donations to the University. We have established the Mark Weis Accounting Scholarship at the Smeal College of Business at Penn State, to carry on the legacy of providing students majoring in Accounting the support they need to succeed.

Services at Temple Ohav Shalom, 8400 Thompson Run Road, Allison Park on Friday at 1 PM. Visitation one hour prior to service at Temple (12 noon - 1PM). Interment Temple Ohav Shalom Memorial Garden. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Penn State University: Checks should be made payable to Penn State University. Please note "Mark Weis Accounting Scholarship - SCBA6" in the memo section. Mail checks to Smeal Development Office, 475 Shortlidge Road, 209 Business Building, University Park, PA 16802. Arrangements entrusted to **RALPH SCHUGAR CHAPEL, INC.** [www.schugar.com](http://www.schugar.com)

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