

CHARLES F. BOWERS III



Age 60, of Center Township, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, November 1, 2024, in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Born October 30, 1964, in Pittsburgh, he was the son of the late Charles F. Bowers, Jr. and Pauline K. Bowers. Known throughout his life as Chad, he was a graduate of Sewickley Academy (1983), Hofstra University (1987) and the Duquesne University School of Law (1990).

He had considered it his life's honor to have worked with his father Charles F. Bowers, Jr. for 30 years, joining the firm of Bowers & Ross in 1990. With the addition of attorney Ken Fawcett, the firm became known as Bowers, Ross & Fawcett and the four practiced together for the next two decades. When James Ross was elected to the bench, the firm added Sherri Hurst and became known as Bowers, Fawcett & Hurst.

Chad was admitted to Pennsylvania Bar, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the 3rd Circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals. He practiced criminal defense and personal injury law in Western Pennsylvania. Chad was an active member of the Beaver County Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association and was a past President of the Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association.

While Chad was a devoted fan and season ticket holder of the Pittsburgh Steelers, Penguins and Pitt athletics, his love for the Pittsburgh Pirates was to infinity and beyond. Despite enduring the heartbreak of early 1990s teams just falling short and then suffering through 20 consecutive losing seasons, he refused to give up on the Pirates.

Attending every Opening Day since 1986 (except for 2020 due to COVID), Chad was a season ticket holder since 1989. Opening Day was treated as a national holiday. Chad was also a member of the Pirates Fantasy Camp Hall of Fame and was scheduled to attend this year's camp again in December. He was a proud member of that fraternity and cultivated close friendships with his fellow campers. Chad genuinely loved the game of baseball and the Pirates, despite the Pirates rarely returning his faithful devotion.

At the time of his death, he was in North Carolina to participate in a charity golf outing for the Willie Stargell Foundation and was accompanied by three of his fellow veteran Fantasy campers.

In addition to his great love for Pittsburgh sports, Chad enjoyed playing golf and was a member of Allegheny Country Club. He was fortunate to have played courses such as St Andrews, Carnoustie, Oakmont, Pebble Beach, TPC Sawgrass, Spyglass Hill and others. He was a lifelong avid reader and was especially passionate about World War II history.

Surviving him are his wife of 33 years, Aileen M. (Hickey) Bowers, son Charles F. Bowers IV, mother, Pauline K. Bowers (Jim Frankenberry), sister, Julie Adams (Chris), sister, Jill Gray, mother-in-law, Margaret Hickey, stepbrothers, Howard Schulberg (Hon. Patricia Dodge) and Arnold Schulberg (Kathy) and numerous in-laws, nieces, nephews, friends, colleagues, and extended family members.

In addition to his father, he was also predeceased by uncle, R. Lance Bowers, stepmother, Janice (Wisniewski) Bowers and his father-in-law, Robert F. Hickey.

Visitation will be held at **TATALOVICH FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATION SERVICES, INC.**, 2205 McMinn Street, Aliquippa, PA 15001 on Thursday, November 7, 2024, from 5:00 until 7:00 PM, and Friday, November 8, 2024, from 3:00 until 7:00 PM with the funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Saturday, November 9, 2024, at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to be made in Chad's name to one of the following:

Beaver County Bar Foundation, c/o Beaver County Bar Association, 788 Turnpike Street, Beaver, PA 15009; Roberto Clemente Museum, 3339 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15201; Willie Stargell Foundation, 1213 Culbreth Drive, Wilmington, NC 28405.

Private interment will take place at Sewickley Cemetery, Sewickley, PA.