



Theodore Lesnik Jr.

July 4, 1958 - July 5, 2022

Theodore Lesnik Jr., age 64, born July 4th, 1958, better known as Ted, of Crown Point passed away on July 5th, 2022 at Methodist Hospital in Merrillville, Indiana. Ted leaves behind a wealth of golf balls, clubs, and other golf equipment that we don't actually understand. The Region's golf courses will be much poorer moving forward. When Ted wasn't at the links, he could be found diligently studying fantasy football. His passing will open-up much needed opportunities to win for the rest of his leagues.

Ted served the health of his community in his work as a surgical nurse at Methodist Hospital. His 37.5 years there not only contributed to the wellness of countless individuals, but also entertained and inspired his coworkers. He was known at the hospital for his pranks that he played on his coworkers, being hard to keep up with around the OR and the balance board that he constantly stood on rather than sitting down.

Ted was loved by all who knew him—a devoted husband, fantastic father, fun-loving grandpa, nurturing son, a mischievous friend, a dedicated brother and persistent force for good. Ted leaves a lasting legacy of kindness, empathy, wisdom, and generosity.

Ted will be achingly missed by his wife, Carolyn; their two daughters: Angela (husband Travis) and Chelsea (husband Elliott); granddaughter, Brooke;

mother, Virginia; four brothers: Greg, David, Larry and Sam and sister, Sharon, as well as a multitude of nieces, nephews, and other loved ones. He is rejoined in heaven with his father, Theodore Lesnik Sr.

A memorial visitation will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. until time of memorial service at 6:30 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Ted's fashion sense was all his own and, in that spirit, golf attire and bright colors are encouraged. During the memorial service, the family would like to invite his friends and family to share a brief story about Ted to pass along the joy he provided.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the U.S. Adaptive Golf Alliance. www.burnsfuneral.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 12. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JD

“ When Dave Poisel texted me of Ted's passing, a heavy weight was cast upon my heart. I was blessed to have Ted attend my retirement party in late December and as I told the people there, knowing Ted was working in my operating room helped my pulse to slow and anxiety regarding the room's preparedness to evaporate. A kind and gentle soul whom I had the pleasure to work with for over 29 years. May his memory be eternal and may the Lord welcome him with open arms into his heavenly kingdom!

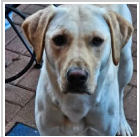
John Diveris

John Diveris - July 18, 2022 at 03:23 PM

MK

“ Dear Lesnik family,
Some of my favorite memories in my career began in the surgical suites and lounge at Methodist Hospital. Ted was an integral part of those memories. A dedicated professional and a friendly soul. He will be missed.

Michael Kovacich - July 14, 2022 at 10:42 AM



“ I'm sorry for all of Ted's family and friends whom each lost someone special to them! I will miss you my friend.

John Janiga - July 12, 2022 at 01:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 11, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 11, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ *My deepest and sincerest condolences to the Lesnik family on Ted's passing. I knew and worked with Ted in Methodist surgery for many years. He was an excellent nurse and just a incredibly great person. We often worked as a team on many cases. We really knew how each other thought and his work ethic reflected that. He was a great asset to his patients, coworkers, doctors and the hospital. He was so very compassionate and had great empathy for his patients. A credit to our profession. I also had the privilege of golfing with Ted on occasion. He was always working on his game in some way and was a quiet calm for me when I would get frustrated and angry at myself. I actually believe I brought his game down at times with my poor play, but he always shrugged it off. That's what a friend does! Ted, you are gone to soon my friend. Now you get a chance to shoot that perfect "18" !*

David Poisel

David Poisel - July 11, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 10, 2022 at 01:43 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 08, 2022 at 01:14 PM



“ *TED and started on the same day at Dominick's, 10/10/74. It was a great place to work...and a great place to meet some of the most fantastic people in the world. Ted was one of them, in fact he was my first friend there and we became inseparable for many years! We vacationed, shot pool, got pizzas, drank beer, had party's, celebrated TED's Birthday on July 4th many years, share music, met girls, got our educations, became friends with each other's family's.....the list goes on! From 1974 to 1982 we were close. Educations and girls started to dominate our lives and we sadly drifted apart. We still were friends and often I would see Ted in conjunction with his brothers. I HAVE A MILLION GREAT MEMORIES WITH TED!!! He will always be a part of me, he will always be in my memory and his influences on me still remain 48 years later. Ted, so long for now, but we will see each other again!!*
John

John Janiga - July 08, 2022 at 10:56 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore Lesnik Jr..*



July 08, 2022 at 09:03 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Susan Brandush Denny - July 07, 2022 at 09:45 PM

SB

“ Ted and I worked together for years and years at Methodist Hospital. We also got in trouble together too. I have so many wonderful memories of Ted. Some of my favorites are the 3-11 shifts we spent together. After all the work was done and the department cleaned up, we would meet at the front desk to talk. Ted mentioned that he and his wife were taking dancing lessons. I told Ted I always wanted to learn how to do the Tango. Ted said " I can teach you" ...Off we went to room 12. We moved the O.R. bed out of the way and found some "Tango like" music on the radio. Off we went. Step by step he showed me the twirls and facial expressions that were mandatory to do the dance correctly..we didn't do bad. I mean we weren't " Dancing With The Stars " material but we laughed and I felt I could say I knew how to Tango! Another special time together was when he was searching for a song to dance with his daughter at her wedding. He said the Father Daughter dance had to have meaning.. Together we listened to the lyrics of several songs trying to find the perfect one.

Ted was definitely a family man. Nothing and no one was more important than his wife and his girls. He would talk about their achievements and you could see in his eyes how very proud of them he was. I will miss Ted. The one thing that makes me smile is that I know that when Ted was standing at the pearly gates waiting for entrance, our good friend and co-worker Tom was there to welcome him in. Until we meet again Ted, rest well my friend!

Susan Brandush-Denny - July 07, 2022 at 09:27 PM