



# Ben Zukowski

December 31, 1969 - July 22, 2012

Obituary of Ben Zukowski Mr. Ben "Coach Zuke" Zukowski Jr, 69, of Ocala, FL, passed away Sunday, July 22, 2012. A former resident of Sterling Heights, he moved to Ocala in 1995. He was a retired School Teacher and Coach in the Warren Public School System for over 25 years. Ben was a member of the Michigan High School Coaching Hall of Fame for his efforts in both baseball and football. He enjoyed boating, fishing, and bowling. He is survived by his devoted wife of 20 years, Marilyn Zukowski, of Ocala, FL; son, Greg (Cathleen) of Chesterfield, MI, son, Jeff (Michelle), of Las Vegas, NV; brother, Dr. James Zukowski (Anita) , of Austin TX, and three grandchildren; Paige, Erica, and Jarek.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ben Zukowski*

Jeff Zukowski - July 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ben Zukowski*

June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of your passing Zuke was a friend from high school and we had a great time growing up at the beach. Again I'm sorry for your loss and hope your family keeps his memory alive... God Bless*

Joe Pogorzelski - February 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Miss you Dad*

jeff zukowski - July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Greg Cathy, Our thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family. May you find peace in knowing your Dad is in a good place watching over all of you. With our Deepest Sympathy. Don, Kelly and Connor Dixon Jupiter Florida*

Kelly Dixon - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ I would love to send my condolences to the Zukowski Family. I had Mr. Zukowski when I attended Warren Woods H.S. He was a caring and Awesome teacher. I know he will have his football and baseball teams up in heaven ready to be Winners

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**Linda (Wallace) Ellcey** - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Thanks Coach! I'm #77 in the Warren High defensive huddle picture.

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**Michael Szalkiewicz** - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Greg and Jeff, Condolences to your families from The Nagorsen's in Mount Clemens and Warren, MI.

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**David Nagorsen** - July 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ It's been many years since I had seen my high school buddy. I often think of the time we fought a caged gorilla (and we both got our butts kicked!!) we had many laughs back then and I will miss you always.. My condolences to the "Zuke" family... Your bud, Tip... (george tipold).

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**George Tipold** - July 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ My condolences to the family of Mr. Zukowski. I had him as a teacher at Warren Woods High School. Great teacher and made learning fun. Great sense of humor. Rest in peace, Mr. Zukowski.

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**Robert Michon** - July 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ I would like to offer my condolences to Ben's family. I remember a lot of good times with Ben in Hamtramck and Lake St Clair

Wes Romanski - July 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

M1

“ I remember Mr. Zukowski as a tough history teacher, but a great teacher nonetheless. He is a big part of my Warren Woods High School memories. My sincere condolences to the entire Zukowski family. May our Lord bring you strength to endure your untimely loss. My deepest sympathy.

Monika (Julian) Parker, Class of 1972 - July 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Coach Zuke was our baseball coach at Warren Woods and I remember him as a wonderful coach who really deserves to be in the hall of fame. What a great guy and I am so grateful to have had him as a coach! Kevin Dowd - Class of 1977.

Kevin Dowd - July 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RZ

“ Be consoled family and friends...Uncle Johnny is already showing him around heaven. Love and deep sympathy, Aunt Rose Anne

Rose A. Ziulkowski - July 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire family-You are all in our thoughts...

Fran and Joe Cruz - July 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ so sorry to hear about your father paryers to you all. God has you all in his arms

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**Carole Odom** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ DEAR MARILYN, GREG, AND JEFF SO SORRY TO HEAR OF BENNIE'S PASSING AND I HOPE THAT YOU ARE COMFORTED BY HIS MEMORIES AND LOVE. I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS ABOUT 12 YEARS OLD AND BEN WAS PLAYING CATCH WITH A BASEBALL WITH ME. HE THREW ME A CURVE BALL AND IT HIT ME RIGHT IN THE HEAD. I'LL MISS HIS SMILE AND SENSE OF HUMOR. AGAIN, SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

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**FRED BUCZEK** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ So sorry for your loss Greg... Thoughts and prayers for you and family.

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**Sherri Pollard** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Our love, prayers and aloha go out to Ben's family. We are sorry to hear of your loss. I played baseball against and with Benny in Gary, Indiana. He was a very talented hitter and pitcher. He had a mean fastball. His skills and competitiveness carried over into his outstanding coaching career. Aloha Benny. Bill Hardin Classmate William A. Wirt High School Class of 1960

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**Bill Hardin** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Our deepest thoughts and prayers go out to the Zukowski Family. Benny at one time was my best friend and our best man. Rest in peace old friend! Gale and Jeff Cooper

Jeff Cooper - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Our deepest condolences to Marilyn, Ben's sons, and brother Jim. Rest in peace and memory eternal.

Ken and Nada Buczek - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ Growing up, Mr. Zukowski was like an uncle. He was a great guy with a great sense of humor. I remember him as an avid boater, a great neighbor and my best friend's dad. I'm very sorry to hear about the family's loss and Mr. Zukowski's passing...

Russ Vallee - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Though we weren't blood related Ben was one of the most amazing grandfathers. His great humor and big heart will always be missed.

Rachael Smart - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Aunt Genevieve and I were deeply sorry to hear of Ben's passing. May his Memory be Eternal.

Michaela Mosak - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Deepest sympathy

Larry & Ann Coburn - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ My family regrets the loss of the many years Ben could have continued to share with his wife, sons, and grandchildren. Those years would have kept him surrounded in love with his brother and many, many cousins all around the country.

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**Susan Teper** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ To the whole family, my heartfelt sympathy, thoughts and prayers. Via brother, Jim, I knew Coach to be quite the character who impacted many lives.

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**ray hymel** - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Zuke was a wonderful coach, teacher, and man. A huge impact on me as well as my older brothers. My deepest sympathy goes out to the family. Rest in peace coach. You will be greatly missed

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**Tony Terenzi** - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ ONE OF THE FINEST EDUCATORS TO HAVE WORKED IN THE DISTRICT.

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**J.D. VLAZ** - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Ben was a "one of a kind" coach, teacher, mentor and friend. His sense of humor and ability to poke at himself was incomparable. His story telling, especially the time he wrestled a bear, had us all laughing heartily. May he rest in peace and be assured that we will meet again.

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**Robert Murray** - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I will always remember "Zuke" with his head tilted slightly with that sly smile. He was a great coach, teacher and friend. He made my days at Warren Woods fun and unforgettable. May God bless him as he rests in eternal peace.

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**David Kolakowski** - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ My deepest sympathy. Zuke was a great coach and friend. My your wonderful memories bring comfort to you. You are in our thoughts and Prayers

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**Grace Oberski** - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ sorry for your loss. you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Eric Schichtl** - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ We shared so many good times together. May he rest in peace.

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**Russ and Pam Maranzano** - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Ben was a very great coach to both of the Landru boys. Michael, class of 1979 and Patrick, class of 1984. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you at this time. Shirley Landru, Mother

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**The Landru Family** - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM