



Alexander T. Poorman

May 2, 1985 - August 22, 2023

Alexander T. Poorman, 38, of Ephrata, Pennsylvania, died unexpectedly of natural causes on August 22, 2023. He was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on May 2, 1985.

Alex was a graduate of Our Mother of Perpetual Help School, class of 1999 and Ephrata Senior High School, class of 2003. Alex was a student historian at the Ephrata Cloister; a member of the Ephrata Mountaineer football and track and field teams; and was also involved in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 252. After high school, Alex attended Lebanon Valley College, class of 2007, where he continued his football career and was a member of the Knights of the Valley fraternity.

Alex worked as a special education teacher for several years before deciding to continue his education at Duquesne University School of Law, class of 2015, where he competed around the country as a member of Duquesne's nationally recognized moot court team. After graduation, he continued to be involved in moot court as a coach. Alex practiced law in Pittsburgh for approximately eight years before returning home this Spring to join the Lancaster office of Cipriani & Werner, where he felt especially fulfilled and appreciated. He made significant contributions to all the firms where he worked.

Alex enjoyed a variety of sports and outdoor activities. Concerning sports, he particularly enjoyed football and soccer. His favorite teams to root for were the Philadelphia Eagles and the Pltt Panthers, whose games he attended for years with his family. An avid outdoorsman, Alex enjoyed camping, hiking, and generally being outside. Among his favorite outdoor activities were hiking to and photographing waterfalls and going on the Natural Water Slides at Ohiopyle State Park. Alex was also an animal lover and had many pets during his lifetime, including Destroyer the iguana, Chocolate and Vanilla, the rabbits, family dogs, Sparkles, Buster, Thunder, and Sunny, and his most recent partner in crime, Spots the cat. Alex's world was big because of his love of learning (especially history) and travel. Some of his favorite places were Spain and Hilton Head Island. Everyone who knew him considered him to be one of the most well-read, intelligent, and thoughtful people they knew.

He is survived by his parents, Roger C. and Patricia A. Poorman; brother, Roger P. Poorman (Stephanie); grandmother, Fern I. Poorman; several aunts and uncles; many cousins; and a multitude of friends. He was a great son, brother, and friend, and was always willing to help family and friends at a moment's notice.

A service will be held Saturday, September 9, 2023 at 1PM from the Porterfield-Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, Ltd, 890 Isabel Drive, Lebanon, PA 17042. The family will receive visitors starting at noon on Saturday, September 9, 2023. Interment will follow at Covenant Greenwood Cemetery in Ebenezer, PA. The celebration of Alex's life will conclude with refreshments at Heisey's Diner. Please feel free to dress casually, as that is what Alex always preferred.

In lieu of flowers, please consider supporting Alex's favorite charity, the South Carolina Aquarium Sea Turtle Care Center (<https://scaquarium.org/sea-turtle-care-center/>).

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Alexander T. Poorman

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ Alexander T. Poorman

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



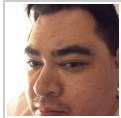
“ Alexander T. Poorman

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ Alex, I remember your fascination with reptiles back in our days at omph. You might have even given a presentation on it. I regret not reaching out to you more in later years, since you were kind of an oddball like me. I feel so sad that our class has drifted apart and has been largely relegated to Facebook likes. I'm really going to miss you, and I'm sorry if you felt alone at any time. God Bless.

Christopher Trachte - September 13, 2023 at 07:40 PM



Ah yes, it was you who got me into Dinotopia. I watched the tv miniseries shortly after you showed me the book.

Christopher Trachte - September 13, 2023 at 07:46 PM

MF

“ Mike Carcioppolo & family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Alexander T. Poorman.



Mike Carcioppolo & family - September 07, 2023 at 01:23 PM

KN

“ Alex will be missed! He had a way of turning some of our most cherished high school memories to gold. Thanks Alex, your memory and legacy will live on for forever. Condolences to the Poorman family through this difficult time.

Kristi Nielsen - September 06, 2023 at 12:47 AM



“ So saddened to hear of the loss of your son, Roger and family! May God's love and grace carry you through this difficult time. Carol Leas (former coworker at Apria)

Carol Leas - September 03, 2023 at 11:12 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Alexander T. Poorman.



September 02, 2023 at 10:04 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alexander T. Poorman.

September 02, 2023 at 10:04 AM



“ I lived next door to Alex for 2 years in Avalon before moving to Ross Township one year ago. He was truly a great neighbor and friend who not only helped me during my move, but also gave me rides when my car was in the shop and briefly attended a men's meeting with me and others on Thursday evenings at Saint Paul of the Cross Retreat Center on the Southside. It is called the Road From Emmaus and I discovered his passing only after trying to forward our invitation email to him about tonight's meeting. My sincere condolences to his family and closest friends as we all mourn his departure, but celebrate his life even more. May our Lord bless and keep him near His side. - Rob S.



Robert Spanik - September 01, 2023 at 01:18 AM



“ I worked with Alex for a couple of years and he always brought a smile to the faces of those who worked with him. He was a gentle soul with a big heart. He will be missed.

Ben Steinberg - August 30, 2023 at 09:31 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Alexander T. Poorman.



August 30, 2023 at 04:21 PM

DB

“ I worked with Alex for about a year or so. He was a genuinely nice person, had a great sense of humor, and he cared about his clients and co-workers. My sincere condolences to his family and loved ones.

Dina Bastianini - August 29, 2023 at 02:58 PM

DZ

“ Big Al and I came to LVC at the same time and played football together. I remember vividly during our freshman year that we nearly got his brother, Roger, hurt many times as we learned how to play offensive line at the college level. While my memories of Big Al are fond from the football field, my more cherished memories come from the time we spent away from the field. Big Al was always so kind, was fun to be around and I'm happy we were able to enjoy four years together at LVC. My deepest sympathies to the Poorman family.

David Zimmerman - August 29, 2023 at 01:29 PM

JI

“ James I. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alexander T. Poorman.

James I. - August 28, 2023 at 09:18 PM

CB

“ Alex was such a kind soul. I have many fond memories of him, but the best memory is when he came to visit me and my wife after the birth of our first child, and he came with gifts and even held our newborn daughter for a while. He will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to the Poorman family.

Chris Borsani - August 28, 2023 at 12:26 AM

SM

“ *Al was always engaging and a great conversation. It was his willingness to help anyone, anywhere, at anytime that set him apart from most people you meet in life. Sending prayers to the Poorman family. - Shawn McClure*

Shawn McClure - August 26, 2023 at 11:23 AM