



David M. Pon

September 29, 1949 - January 15, 2021

David M. Pon age 71 of Wickliffe, died Friday January 15, 2021 at Hillcrest Hospital, Mayfield Heights. He was born September 29, 1949 in Minneapolis, MN.

David was a retired Senior Supply Chain Specialist from Eaton Aerospace. He graduated from Siena College in 1973 with his Bachelors of Business where he was a brother of Delta Sigma Pi. He later graduated from Lake Erie College in 1988 with his Masters of Business Administration.

David grew up idolizing Bruce Lee and Charles Atlas. The love of his idols led him to enjoying wrestling, weight lifting, and all things health and fitness (including daily Fitbit challenges with his family). He had a love of sports and shared his father's lifelong love of the Ohio State Buckeyes and Baltimore Orioles. David was a first-generation Chinese American who prided himself on hard work, savings, and the ability to help those he loved. David was humble, generous, and an eternal optimist, who never complained and always wanted to support his family. He was a religious blood bank donor and volunteer for MedWish. David was the most outgoing in his family and enjoyed family gatherings with his siblings, where he often evoked smiles and laughter while sharing their favorite Chinese food. He looked forward to annual July 4th cookouts with his daughter and son-in-law as well as weekly phone calls with his beloved Mother. David will forever be missed and will always be

remembered as a cherished son, brother, godfather, uncle, and father.

Survivors include his daughter, Samantha (Michael) Connelly; mother: Eugenia Pon; siblings: Rowena (Bill) Muehlenhard; Elaine Pon; Jon (Aggie) Pon; Chris (Becky) Pon; Mark Pon; god-daughter, Meghan (Chad) Westbrook; nieces and nephews: Damira (Andy) Kainz; Dana Pon; Daren (Becky) Pon,; Derek Pon; McKenzie Pon; and Lily Muehlenhard; former wife: Carol Cruise; and grand-dog: Daisy May.

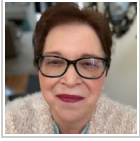
Preceding David in death are his father, Richard Pon; and dog: Duffy.

Family requests contributions may be made to the American Red Cross [http s:///www.redcross.org/donate/donation.html/](http://www.redcross.org/donate/donation.html/) in support of blood services.

Arrangements entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Pon family,

I just heard of Dave's passing through a mutual friend and coworker at GE. Suffice to say I was shocked and saddened. I traveled with Dave at GE and we had a ball. We worked many years with him in Sourcing. He kept us all laughing all the time. I just touched base with him a couple months ago and so glad I did. We never got to get back our group for a lunch due to covid and that is disappointing. He definitely left too soon. Keep cracking the jokes up there Dave. He was a down to earth person that we could have used down here awhile longer no doubt. He was super smart , quick witted, and always Johnny on the Spot. Miss you Dave , see you again someday!

God Bless Samantha , his siblings , and of course his mom! My heart goes out to Mom!

Respectfully,

Nancy Ward

Nancy Ward - January 31, 2021 at 02:08 PM

JM

“ I worked with David while working at Argo-Tech and Eaton corp. We worked very closely on programs together and quickly became friends. In 2001 I suffered a minor heart attack. I made it clear to all of my co workers that there was no need to come visit me and that I appreciated all of their concerns. That did not stop Dave. He in his good hearted way showed up to visit. I was eating a piece of angel food cake when he came in to surprise me for a visit. He commented on how that must be some good Angel cake because I devoured it quickly. I told him the food they serve me is God awful but I have to honestly say this is the best Angel food cake I have ever had. He looked at me like I was nuts.

The nurse came into the room and I secretly told her to bring in another piece of cake for my friend. She did and Dave ate it and he was totally in agreement with me. After that it was always a standing joke when we saw one another. If you ever want the best piece of angel food cake you need to go to Willoughby West End Hospital.

Well David,
We will someday see each other and we will share real Angel food cake together again.
Until then I will miss you.

Jeff Meyer

Jeffrey Meyer - January 25, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ family & friends of David's: I got to know David while I worked at Eaton 5 years ago, I always found him laughing or making jokes and he always had a smile on his face. My sincere condolences to you all, he was a real joy to be around.

Tom DeMichael - January 24, 2021 at 10:19 PM

CI

“ David was a good friend and great coworker during my time at Eaton in Euclid. I was able to interact with him on several programs. I honestly do not think there was a time that I saw David that he did not bring a smile to my face. My condolences to his family. He will truly be missed. Chris Ivary

Chris Ivary - January 24, 2021 at 06:46 PM

TF

“ David was a good friend of my dad, George Frazier, Sr, who also worked at Eaton with David. My dad recently passed as well so I am sad to hear of this. We went out with David a few times and he was always a really fun guy to be around! My condolences to you and your family. Feel free to reach out to me anytime.

Tracy Frazier - January 24, 2021 at 02:24 PM

YC

“ To family of David Pon,
Just learned David passing. I worked with David from 2005-2009 in Euclid, Ohio. The photo of David is exactly what I remembered him, optimistic, smile, and laughter. When he walked to my office area, he often made a brief laughable joke. David will be in my memory.
Ying Cha

Ying Cha - January 23, 2021 at 06:25 PM

NP

“ To family and friends of David Pon;

I am so sorry to hear of David's passing; my sincere condolences. I worked with David for many years and became good friends with him. I will miss him very much.

Nick Popovich

Nick Popovich - January 23, 2021 at 03:54 PM

DB

“ Sam, Michael and family ,
So surprised and saddened to hear of your Dads passing! What a shock, we're both so very sorry for your loss. Don and I remember talking with your Dad at your wedding, he was such a friendly guy, and soo genuinely thanked us for being part of your life and for being part of your special day!!! He will always live in your heart, please know we care.

Don and Karen Berger

Don and Karen Berger - January 22, 2021 at 07:36 PM

JB

*Samantha,
Your Dad & I worked together at GE for many years. We shared many a laughter in our travels together. I'll forever remember his great sense of humor always with a big smile. Say hello to yr Mom & God bless u all in this time of sorrow. Sincerely, Jan Jindra Blair*

Jan Jindra Blair - January 31, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David M. Pon.*



January 22, 2021 at 03:00 PM



“ *Sammy, we love you so much and are so sorry for your loss. We know how special he was to you, and you were to him. Thinking of you and praying for you.*

*The Goodwin Family
Sammi, Scott, Cole and Chloe*

Samantha Goodwin - January 22, 2021 at 11:40 AM



“ *Dear Sami, Michael and family, our deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear Father. May He Rest In Peace.
Debbie and Bob Juker*

Debbi Juker - January 22, 2021 at 10:04 AM

SA

“ 17 files added to the tribute wall



Sammy - January 21, 2021 at 05:46 PM

MB

To my favorite Franciscan,

You were always a pleasure to work with, share stories, and an honor to call you a friend.

From your favorite Jesuit, Mark Blanchard

Mark Blanchard - January 26, 2021 at 07:27 AM