



## Jack K. Disbrow

December 2, 1974 - November 6, 2020

Jack Kipp Disbrow, 45, of Kalkaska passed away on Friday November 6, 2020. He was born on December 2, 1974 to the late William Fitzgerald and Linda Richmond-Fitzgerald in Grand Rapids MI. Jack graduated from Kalkaska High School in 1993 and received a Bachelor's Degree from Lake Superior State University. Jack was a valued employee for Halliburton and BP (British Petroleum). He worked around the world, spending most of his time in Africa and Alaska as a Senior Wells Site Supervisor. In his spare time Jack liked to hunt with his sons and plan family vacations. He would research which Caribbean island or Hawaiian island to visit and make all the necessary arrangements. Jack loved and treasured his family greatly; he was a caring and proud father who enjoyed watching his children excel in sports. Jack will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 22 years Jodie Disbrow, children: Jakob, Jaxon and Jordyn Disbrow, father-in-law Gene McLean, brother-in-law Jim (Laura) McLean, sister-in-law Julie McLean, and his best pal Lucie the Chocolate Lab. He is preceded in death by both of his parents, his mother in law Doris McLean, and sister-in-law Judie McLean-Jacobson. A private family service will be held for Jack at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jack's honor may be made to the Kalkaska Athletic Boosters. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ My junior year, Jack's senior, we were on the varsity football team in Kalkaska. At the end of the season I received an all-conference honorable mention award. There were a few seniors that gave me a hard time about it and told me I didn't deserve it and really gave me a hard time about it. At one point I wished I had not received the award. One way or another Jack knew this and talk to me about it and said "don't let anybody take away what you earned you deserved it". It meant a lot to me to have that big brother advice and it stopped me from doubting myself. Even said he would talk to some of them and tell him to lay off. That is one of my fondest memories from high school, and had he not done that it could have made for a very long junior year. Thanks Jack RIP.

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**Scott Babcock** - November 20, 2020 at 07:39 PM

JM

“ Jack was a great co-worker from Alaska. Both of us were from Michigan, and I had worked in Kalkaska and Traverse City growing up, so our conversations always would come back to Michigan at some point. He always had a good attitude, and wasn't afraid to tackle challenges at work. Jack made every team stronger with his presence. My prayers go out to his family, who always talked about with pride and a smile on his face.

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**Jerry Murphy** - November 20, 2020 at 05:44 AM

RH

“ Very sorry to hear this. The short time I knew you Jack in Angola you were always a true gentleman , so calm and collected . So easy to talk to and always willing to listen.  
My deepest sympathies and condolences to his family. May his life live on in yours and our cherished memories.

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**Rodney Howard** - November 17, 2020 at 10:52 AM

DD

“ Shocked and devastated by the news of Jack leaving us.

*I had the privilege of working with Halliburton with Jack on many a rust-bucket rig in Angola , sharing a cold beer or two in the camp and generally putting the world to rights on many an occasion. I probably worked with him only for 2-3 years but found him a really nice guy, hardworking, family orientated and the eternal gentleman. This was in the early 2000's and we have all moved onto separate pastures since then but I am sure I echo the sentiments of all of those paths he has crossed along the way. Reading the comments already how highly he was thought of.*

*My thoughts are with his family during this sad, devastating time and I can only hope his family finds some consolation in the high esteem in which Jack was held.*

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**Dave Dougal** - November 17, 2020 at 10:16 AM

KS

“ My heart goes out to Jack's family. Jack was one of the most thoughtful people I met on the slope. He went out of his way to welcome me when I changed hitches. We shared many conversations about his family and we eagerly awaited the sports update after the boy's games. He holds a special place in my heart and I grieve with you but I also have such special memories of conversations and time spent with Jack and feel so fortunate. My thoughts are with the family.



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**Keven Schlosstein** - November 15, 2020 at 06:50 PM

BG

“ I (we) had the pleasure of knowing Jack through work. He would always check in to say hello and share about family, that he was so very proud of! He would always lend a helping hand. I am thankful that he touched my (our) life, he will be missed by many.

*Brenda & Barbara Glassmaker*

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**Brenda Glassmaker** - November 10, 2020 at 08:25 PM

AM

“ Jack was genuine, caring, and trustworthy, with a great work ethic and an awesome sense of humor. He was a great coworker and friend, willing to give advice and share his knowledge, or just lend a sympathetic ear. We shared the same changeout day for a couple years; he was my (always punctual) ride to the Deadhorse airport. I'm grateful that he kept in touch over the past year; I'll miss him very much. My sincere condolences to his family. He spoke of you all often and was a very proud father.

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**Adrienne McVey** - November 10, 2020 at 04:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jack K. Disbrow.



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November 10, 2020 at 02:39 PM

TJ

“ Jack is one of my favorite people I met throughout the 7 years working on the north slope. He always had an open ear and never closed his door to me. He was always so genuine when he spoke to me and always made me feel appreciated. Last time we spoke, he was so proud of his children and their accomplishments, though he wouldn't take any credit for it and said "It's all Jodie, she is amazing!" Jack was a good man and a feel blessed to have known him. He will truly be missed.



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**Tsali Janek** - November 10, 2020 at 02:17 PM

GB

“ Jack and I worked together in Alaska. He was a great friend who spoke highly of his family! His sense of humor is what made him a fantastic coworker! I'm going to miss our occasional phone conversations! My prayers to his family!

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**Gerald Boyles** - November 10, 2020 at 01:08 PM

EP

“ I worked with Jack in Alaska. He was a great guy to be around and to work for. You could always count on Jack’s support when you needed it. He was measured, thoughtful and took things in stride. Just a good man.

I talked with him just after he got home from his most recent trip to Angola and he was happy to be home and was looking forward to going hunting and spending time with his family, whom he spoke of often.

Such a tremendous loss. He will be missed.

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**Eric Pursley** - November 10, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ I worked with Jack In Alaska, good man good friend. We spoke just a few weeks ago. Will always remember the time we had my friend



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**Kevin Kercher** - November 10, 2020 at 01:46 AM

BI

“ I always enjoyed talking with Jack, I will miss him...

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**Bonnie Iott** - November 09, 2020 at 07:02 PM

CH

“ This is a Surprise I am so Sorry, Jack was a Great man.. Praying for the family..

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**chad** - November 09, 2020 at 04:59 PM

KF

“ He was always helping my mom and dad , odell and virginia carlisle,with yard work or whatever he could, without them asking. They sure aporeciated him , and often talked about what a great neighbor he was. He also would have enjoyable conversations with them. He will be greatly missed. So sorry for your loss.

Kathleen flores - November 09, 2020 at 04:53 PM

BD

“ Jack excelled as a Open Hole/Cased Hole Engineer in Angola. He was always ready and mastered the Logging Computer System and able to advise Company Reps the array of tools he ran.

Bennett Davis - November 09, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jack K. Disbrow.



November 09, 2020 at 08:47 AM