



Albert Leroy Dillen Jr.

November 19, 1963 - August 29, 2009

Albert L. Dillen, Jr., 45, Toledo, Ohio, died Saturday, August 29, from metastatic melanoma. He was born November 19, 1963, in Altoona, PA, son of Albert L. and Marilyn June (Cherry) Dillen of Bellwood, PA. He married the love of his life, Mary T. (Kirsch) Dillen on February 8, 1986. They have three children, Ashley Marie (21), Kyle Albert (19), and Jacob Michael (11). He is also survived by two sisters: Ginny O'Dell of South Amherst, OH, and Susan Pierce of Bellwood, PA; one brother Steve Dillen of Altoona, PA; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Al was employed as a Controls Engineer by BP North American. He was a 1982 graduate of Bellwood-Antis High School. He received an A.S. in Electrical Power Technology from Williamson Trade School in 1985; a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from LaSalle University in 1993; and was actively pursuing a M.A. from Drexel University at the time of his death.

Al enjoyed playing golf, riding his Harley, and spending time with his family, especially at the beach. He had an inquisitive mind and a passion for learning. He was a member of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church.

A memorial mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 5, 2009, at St. Johns Catholic Church, Lakemont, PA.

A college fund has been established for his children at Fifth Third Bank,
Holland, Ohio.

Tribute Wall



“ *I am from Sylvania and lived in Altoona for many years.
May I extend to your family my condolences and peace as Al is now
with our Lord and in the best place ever.*

*Peace to you##imported-begin##Regina Reighard##imported-
end##*

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“ *To Mary and Kids, Aunt June, and Uncle Chub:*

*I am so sad to hear of Al's untimely and lamentable passing but
know that he is in a better place and no longer in any pain.*

*Regrettably, I will not be able to attend the memorial service on
Saturday (although Jonathan and Krista will likely be there).*

*I will be thinking of you and wishing you peace during this difficult
time and wonderful memories of him for a lifetime. Much love to you
all!*

Sincerely,

*Katie Cherry in Las Vegas, Nevada##imported-begin##Katie Cherry
cathrycherry@gmail.com##imported-end##*

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“ I will always remember Albert from my high school years. I enjoyed his friendship and remember what a great athlete he was! I'm sure he will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Cyndee Hostler Bennetti##imported-end##

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“ I worked with Albert's mother at the Bellwood-Antis High School (secretary). Al's parents, family and friends were always so proud of his accomplishments. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this very difficult time.

The Greiner Family##imported-begin##Deb (Nagle) Greiner##imported-end##

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“ Al will be greatly missed. He touched so many lives. My greatest memories of Al were obviously the high school days running track together. He was an inspiration and a fierce competitor. The Dillen family is in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Steve Haupt hauptster35@verizon.net##imported-end##

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“ our deepest sympathy, we are cousins of Steve and Carolann, and if Albert was anything like Steve, [I'm sure he was] he was a great guy.##imported-begin##Richard and Chip Callori porteliz@ptd.net##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. I am one of Albert's teachers from Bellwood-Antis. I began teaching in 1981 and Albert was my secret student council member. He made me feel so welcome. He was a great student, but more importantly, a great young man ~ kind, thoughtful and considerate of others. You are all in my prayers at this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Christine M.Claar cmclaar@atlanticbb.net##imported-end##

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“ Al & I worked together @ JCI-Philadelphia, JYC, and eventually Yokogawa. I'm the engineer who stayed behind in Philadelphia while Chuck, John Krempasky, and you guys moved out to Chicago and then eventually down to Houston. For a while I reported to Al both when you were in Chicago and then in Houston. He always treated me and everyone with dignity, respect and humor (even under the most stressful projects). He was NEVER too busy to offer technical support as well as moral support when things were getting tough. I remember when Al told me that you were moving “back up north” to Ohio. It was a sad day for me personally, because Al was such a positive force w/in YCA to produce quality projects even when things were ‘completely falling apart all around us’. I know that the move back home was the right thing for you as a family and none of us ever begrudged him that decision. I will be keeping Al and all of you in my prayers during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##John Kariouk johndkariouk@hotmail.com##imported-end##

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“ Chub, June and Family,
We are sorry to hear about the passing of Albert. He was a good person and we know you were proud of him. As we all know this separation from us is only temporary as we will see him again in Heaven.

Rod and Sue Merritts##imported-begin##Rod and Sue Merritts rmm
18@psu.edu##imported-end##

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“ Please accept our deepest sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dillen family.##imported-begin##Dan and Stacey Swayne##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and yours in this time of needs.##imported-begin##Wendy Msyhue roxywkm@verizon.net##imported-end##

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“ May Gods peace and healing be with you. You are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Merry (Miller) Butler##imported-end##

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“ With deepest sympathies I send my thoughts and prayers. Al and I were classmates and childhood friends. My fondest memories were riding our tricycles and climbing the pear tree on our block.
Al was always full of laughter.
May you find comfort from the memories of all who knew##imported-begin##Bonnie (McCloskey) Trundle btrundle@sb
cglobal.net##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Blair and Kay Hanna and Pat Messner
kayandblair@atlanticbb.net##imported-end##

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“ I would like to send my condolences to Albert's family and friends. Abert's family attended the same church. I hope you made lots of memories...He will be missed.....##imported-begin##Bonnie Adams##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to Al's family.I went to Williamson with Al and drove back and forth from school every weekend and shared many laughs along the way.##imported-begin##Dave Hescox dhescocox620@com
cast.net##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to Alberts family. I was a highschool classmate and recently heard of his passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and I am very sorry for your loss. Albert was well liked in school and he will be remembered always.##imported-begin##David Leroy Ingram Jt david.ingram@us.army.mil##imported-end##

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“ My sympathies go out to Chub, June & family at this difficult time. I graduated from BA w/ Al & will always remember his humor & kind smile for everyone. RIP Al.##imported-begin##Robin Campbell kam pbell13@verizon.net##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my sympathy for your loss. Although we've never met, I know Maureen Kirch through teaching at Altoona Area High School. I also leave near Bellwood, where Albert's parents are from. May the support of familu and friends be a support and comfort to you now and in the future.##imported-begin##Susan Replogle##imported-end##

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“ Was so sorry to hear about Al...my thoughts and prayers go out to Mary and his family...all those who knew Al in high school have fond memories of him...we graduated together and he always had a way of making people smile...he'll be missed.##imported-begin##Shawnee (Stevens) Emeigh txe2@psu.edu##imported-end##

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“ Dear June and Family,
We are so sorry for the loss of Albert Jr. He was taken so young, but God has a special plan for Albert in heaven. His pain and suffering are gone, now, and he is at peace with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please accept our sincere condolences at this time.
We continue to keep you and your family in our prayers.##imported-begin##Carol & Jeff Bartlett & Family##imported-end##

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“ Mary,

My deepest sympathies to you and your family.##imported-begin##Anita Conte-Schultz##imported-end##

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“ Just want to let June and chub's families that I am thinking of them. May god give you the strenth to carry on. You will be in my thoughts and my prayers. God be with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Phyllis Berardi pber143754@aol.com##imported-end##

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“ God Bless. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Love, Kep##imported-begin##James Kephart
LisKep24@aol.com##imported-end##

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“ Tim and I want to let you know our hearts go out to you and your family. If you need anything please call.

Sincerely,

Tim and Linda McFalls##imported-begin##Tim and Linda McFalls Lindamcfalls1@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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“ Yesterday I learnt of this incredible loss. Al was my boss when I came to work for Yokogawa just coming from Australia. Through his care, advice and integrity my life took a different direction for which I am grateful. I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Carmen Alali##imported-begin##Carmen Alali carmenalali@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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