



David Ross Bethune, Jr.

October 5, 1966 - December 25, 2020

David Bethune, Jr. passed away on December 25, 2020. David was born on October 5, 1966 in North Carolina to David, Sr. and Sylvia Bethune. He was educated at Lake Forest High School in Illinois, and later earned his Bachelor of Arts in Business and International Relations from Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory, NC. David was a faithful Christian who made Timberline Church his spiritual home.

David moved to Colorado in 2001 and resided in Fort Collins before settling in Windsor. He was employed as Director of Sales Operations at Tolmar. David married his best friend, Carla, and their union raised one son, Jackson. He was a kind, loyal family member and friend who spent his leisure time fly fishing on a river or nestled in the woods hunting. He also cherished spending time with his family; they could often be found cheering on their favorite sports teams. One of his favorite pastimes as a proud, devoted father was watching Jackson play basketball. "The strength of a man is in his character." David's character was above reproach. He left an indelible mark on all who encountered him, and the lasting imprint impacted their lives for the better.

He leaves to cherish and honor his memory a loving wife, Carla Bethune and son Jackson Bethune of the home; parents David, Sr. and Sylvia Bethune of Scottsdale, AZ; sister Michelle Bethune (Sean Andersen) of Peoria, AZ; and a host of caring family members and dear friends.

A celebration of life to honor David's memory will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2021, 10:00am at Timberline Church, 2908 S. Timberline Rd., Fort Collins CO 80525. The family requests in lieu of flowers, please make a donation in David Bethune's name to the American Heart Association, www.heart.org.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 2. 10:00 AM (MT)

Timberline Church
2908 S. Timberline Rd.
Fort Collins, CO 80525

Tribute Wall

JD

“ I only worked with David this past year and I know that he will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He talked about his family in every conversation that we had. We are so sorry for your loss. Jill Davidson and the McKesson Team.

jill davidson - January 20, 2021 at 11:44 AM

PM

“ I've worked with David for a long time, he was very kind and quick to respond. He always had a smile. Outside the workplace, David was friendly and outgoing. We worked well as a team and I will miss that a lot. My sincerest condolences to the family and friends. God bless. RIP David Bethune.

Phyllis Mwaura

Phyllis Mwaura - January 13, 2021 at 01:02 PM

AM

“ David was my oldest and dearest friend. He was a thoughtful, kind, and considerate person. He was fun loving and had the greatest sense of humor with the most infectious laugh and smile that I've known. I smile now myself as I remember him. Then I cry.

David cared about others. He was a gentle and generous guy. He possessed the true and rare gift of empathy which didn't allow room for intolerance or insincerity. People were drawn to him and he was drawn to others. Meeting people and making friends came natural to him. He valued time spent with close friends. And we had the greatest of times.

But family was everything to David. And my heart breaks for Carla and Jackson and the rest of his family. We love you guys and are here for you.

Gonna miss you Boog,
Anton

Anthony McLaughlin - January 12, 2021 at 12:00 PM

MB

Thank you for your kind words Anthony, like you we are all deeply shattered and heartbroken. We love you. Michelle Bethune

Michelle Bethune - January 12, 2021 at 05:11 PM

SC

“ I am so sad and shocked to hear the news of David. He was a great person. I've worked with him for 10 years now and it was great to see the many sides of David...he was professional, he would also joke around but he was always caring. We've had discussions of personal issues and when I would see him next, he would ask how I'm doing before jumping into work stuff. He loved his wife, Carla, and son, Jackson, very much and talked of them often, he loved being a Dad. My thoughts are with his whole family.

Susan Carter - January 10, 2021 at 02:33 PM

TJ

“ David sent me some fur and feathers from his hunting trips for me to use in my fly tying. I plan to tie a fly to use on my next trip to use and send up special prayers to him and especially his family. I true gentleman if I have ever met. God bless to his family and friends.

Tom Jackson - January 09, 2021 at 07:38 PM

SF

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Bethune family at this very sad time. I had the pleasure of speaking to David as he was traveling home from NC a few weeks ago. The conversation really stuck with me as he was such a kind caring man. Having heard so many wonderful things about David from his precious parents, I hope and pray that the sweet memories will bring comfort in this time of sorrow. Praying all will find peace.



*Susan and Joe Forrester
North Carolina*

Susan B Forrester - January 09, 2021 at 05:12 PM

GE

“ *Someone with so great a presence can never fully leave us, but I’m heartbroken for myself, and heartbroken for his friends and family. Sending love and healing thoughts. May we all somehow find peace about this.*

Glynnis George Engwall - January 09, 2021 at 03:51 PM

SK

“ *My deepest condolences to Carla, Jackson and the entire Bethune family. I worked very closely with David the past 4+ years and have the utmost respect for the man he was. There are so many ways to describe the great qualities David had, but I will simply say that he was just such a genuine person that was dedicated to his family first, but was also such a hard worker, willing to help anyone in need, and did everything in a positive manner. After speaking to so many of David's contacts in the pharma industry, it's amazing to know how much he was liked and respected. He will be missed by so many and was a true friend!*
Scott Koenig - Tolmar

Scott Koenig - January 09, 2021 at 06:24 AM

EM

I am sending my deepest condolences to the Bethune family. David will be missed.

Efia zakiya mallas - January 09, 2021 at 02:19 PM

RS

“ I have also worked with David over the last many (15+) years. Unfortunately, I did not have the privilege of working closely with him, but I always enjoyed seeing him. He was one of those great guys that I wish I knew better. He was warm-hearted, fun-loving and smiled easily. It was always great to see him. I know he was a man of faith and trusted in the Lord. At some point, he shared this verse with me (I can't even remember when) from Philippians 2:13 "It is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose." I know David is rejoicing in a better place now, but I send my deepest condolences to the Bethune family and mourn your loss.

Ryan Stewart - January 08, 2021 at 09:17 PM

KB

“ To the Bethune family please accept my condolences. David was such a kind person. It was a pleasure working with him. RIP David. Kelly Bublitz - Tolmar



Kelly Bublitz - January 08, 2021 at 07:14 PM

LP

“ I worked closely with David and am very sad to hear this news. My thoughts go out to his family and want them to know that David was an amazing person to work with and I really enjoyed anytime I needed his help and got to speak with him.

My deepest condolences!! I am so so so sorry for your loss!! What a great person!!

Laura Pethick (a Tolmar Colleague of David's)

Laura Pethick - January 08, 2021 at 07:03 PM

MD

“ David was a dear friend. We shared many hunting, fishing and motorcycle adventures. He was a great man of faith who honored the Lord and his family. I will miss him beyond words. Prayers to Carla, Jackson, his Patents and all his family and friends.

Mike Duncan - January 08, 2021 at 06:39 PM

CC

“ I've worked with David my entire career at Zila/Tolmar. We shared many laughs during travels. He was a hard worker and a dedicated family man. David was a good friend, who always had a smile and a kind word for people. He will be missed! Sending prayers and hugs to his family.

Cheryl Cardoso - January 08, 2021 at 05:48 PM

JL

“ I have known David at Tolmar since he started here over 19+ years ago. My heart is heavy with the thought that I will not see David again. He was such a kind, thoughtful, smart and happy co-worker. I also enjoyed seeing and talking with him at the CSU football games. My prayers to you and I will always remember his kind soul!
- Jill Layden at Tolmar

Jill Layden - January 08, 2021 at 05:27 PM

 Erika Johnson

“ I worked with David starting in 2016. He was always kind, always had a smile and always said hello. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to the Bethune family.

Erika Johnson - January 08, 2021 at 04:59 PM

JO

“ You are an amazing man!! We will forever love and miss you! Fly free



Joe - January 08, 2021 at 01:58 PM