



Mark Gideon Goode III, P.E.

September 6, 1950 - November 15, 2018

Mark Gideon Goode III, P.E., passed away in Dallas on November 15, 2018, at the age of 68. Born in Dallas on September 6, 1950, Mark grew up a member of Northridge Presbyterian Church in Lakewood and a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School. Mark attended The University of Texas at Austin, earning B.S. and M.S. degrees in Civil Engineering (Transportation). At UT, Mark served as President of the Student Engineering Council and supervised the University shuttle bus system. In 1973, Mark met the love of his life, Dianne Helen Diez, on a blind date on 6th Street in downtown Austin, and in January of 1974, they were married on the UT campus in the Gothic Chapel of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Mark and Dianne spent their honeymoon the following summer exploring Europe for three months, which sparked a lifelong passion for traveling. Upon graduation from UT in 1974, Mark and Dianne moved to Dallas, where Mark began a long and accomplished career in transportation engineering. Mark and Dianne were blessed with three children, whom they raised in Dallas: Mark Gideon Goode IV, Dianne Frances Goode, and Michael Hunter Carl Goode. Mark's professional legacy surrounds us in Dallas and is woven into the history of the city. For over 44 years, Mark made a significant impact on the planning, design, and development of Dallas, completing hundreds of traffic engineering, transportation planning, parking feasibility and functional parking design projects. Mark's many notable projects include those for the City of Dallas, Dallas County, DART, TxDOT, DFW International Airport, Love Field Airport, the Ballpark at Arlington, Galleria, Plaza at Preston Center, Dallas Convention Center, SMU, TCU, UTD, Sylvan Thirty Complete Streets, Dallas Central Business District, Texas Instruments, Presbyterian Hospital, Children's Medical Center, Lincoln Centre and Lincoln Park, The Hockaday School, and Jesuit College Preparatory School. Mark was an active and highly respected leader of the Greater Dallas Planning Council, serving as President in 1993 and Board Member for over 25 years. Mark also served as Chairman of the Dallas Transportation Task Force, and he was a Fellow of both the National Highway Institute and the Institute of Transportation Engineers. After a short but fierce battle with stomach cancer, Mark passed away at home, surrounded by his family. In his final days, Mark was accepting and calm about his illness, affirming that his life was fulfilled and happy. Professionally, he was proud of the contributions he made to the development of Dallas.

Personally, he was fulfilled by the joys and deep love that he shared with his family. Mark's wife, Dianne, is an art historian who specializes in Italian art, and she introduced Mark to the beauty and culture of Italy. Early on, Mark fell in love with Italy, and he and Dianne regularly traveled to their favorite places in their beloved Italia. Mark led a life of integrity, and his children praise him as the finest role model. Mark was kind and selfless and always put family first. Mark's greatest joy was spending time with his family. He was "Super-Dad." When the children were little, he read to them, bathed them, and played with them. He enjoyed Indian Guides and Indian Princesses, and he never missed his children's academic and sports events. Since 1989, summer vacations were spent with the Diez family on Marco Island, Florida. Mark loved boating, fishing, watching the sunsets, and walking the beach with his family. He enjoyed his children as adults, remaining very much involved in their lives, loving family dinners together and traveling, hiking, and biking with them. Mark is survived by his wife, Dianne Goode, his children, Mark Goode IV (Alexandra), Dianne Goode Irwin (husband Christopher), Michael Goode, and his grandchildren, Wesley Ryan Irwin and Mark Gideon Goode V. Mark is also survived by his parents, Lucille and Mark Goode Jr., his brother, Scott Goode (wife Wanda), and their children, Mac Goode, Meg Goode, Kate Goode, and Charlie Goode, as well as his sister-in-law, Debbie Diez Waldinger, and nephew Benjamin Hilgendorf. We deeply miss our dear husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, and uncle. We treasure our countless wonderful memories of Mark's loving presence. Celebration of Mark's life will be held at Northridge Presbyterian Church, 6920 Bob O Link Drive, Dallas, Texas 75214, on Saturday, December 1, at 2:00 p.m., with Pastor Susan Sytsma Bratt officiating.

Comments



“ Our deepest sympathies in your loss and pray your memories of him will be filled with warmth, laughter and love. A wonderful testimonial of Mark in the obituary.

Edmund and Elizabeth Haas - November 26, 2018 at 12:43 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, he sounds like a wonderful man! Praying for all of you!

Kia & Lee McGee - November 23, 2018 at 09:47 AM