



## Mark Leonard Malczewski, PhD

May 26, 1955 - November 19, 2019

Mark Leonard Malczewski, PhD, 64 of North Tonawanda, Tuesday (November 19, 2019) in Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital. Dr. Malczewski was born on May 26, 1955 to Leonard L. and Geraldine (Newhouse) Malczewski. He was a Analytical Research Chemist at Praxair, Inc in Tonawanda, NY for 35 years. In his spare time he enjoyed reading Military history, playing chess and racquetball. Dr. Malczewski was predeceased by his father Leonard L. Malczewski.

Dr. Malczewski is survived by his wife Kennette M. Carlson Malczewski, survived by his mother Geraldine (Newhouse) Malczewski, brother-in-law of Thomas K. and Deirdre Zarrillo Carlson, and uncle of Sara K. Carlson.

A memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family.

# Comments

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“ Mark, you taught me how to dry high tech valves and to drive slowly in a Corvette - I did get us to the restaurant in one piece... a little quicker than expected but you insisted I drive. Such a kind soul and so much knowledge in such a humble person. Thank you for enriching my experience on the blue globe. You were an inspiration to those who knew you.

**Trey Huntoon** - January 10 at 06:09 PM

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“ Mark was a really great guy. I will truly miss him. He was always kind, humble and helpful. He also was an expert in his field--a person you could go to and get answers to the most difficult questions. My deepest condolences to his family. My prayers are with you. Jim Mize

**Jim Mize** - December 06, 2019 at 02:42 PM

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“ Mark was always helpful at work and a great listener! He had lots of positive energy and a smile that went along with it. He was a fighter, and showed a lot of courage and determination. It wasn't too long ago that he helped me with a technical course that he had instructed in the past. My sympathy and prayers for strength and comfort to all his loved ones. Michelle Braun

**Michelle Braun** - December 05, 2019 at 03:03 PM

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“ Mark and I first worked together at Praxair on an Ultra High Purity N2 system in Korea for several months in 1992, and I quickly became aware of his extensive analytical system knowledge, dedication to his work, and that he was also a really great guy. Twenty years or so later, when I found out that he became available due to the disbanding of the R&D group he was in, we were very fortunate to be able to bring him into the Hydrogen Team's process control system engineering group. His office was only two doors down from mine, and his presence made the entire department a much better place to work. Mark Malczewski was one of the finest individuals I've ever had the privilege of knowing.

**John Gebura** - November 28, 2019 at 04:04 PM

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“ I met Mark when I was six or eight years old. He went to graduate school with my dad and they became fast friends. After school, I would often walk up to the lab and wait for my dad to finish so we could go home. My first memories of Mark were him in his 20's teaching a young girl—me—how to play chess, and freezing things with liquid nitrogen so we could shatter superballs and pound nails with bananas. (You want to get kids excited about STEM? Let them play with liquid nitrogen.)

When I let my dad know of Mark's passing, he told me several stories, some that I recalled and many I did not, and he ended by saying it better than I can: Mark was a lot of remarkable things, but most of all Mark was a nice guy and a good person. The world is a slightly sadder place for him no longer being in it.

**Melody Von Smith** - November 26, 2019 at 02:31 PM

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“ Very few times in your life do you meet someone quite like Mark. Always willing to help and explain complex scientific principals in a manner that you can totally understand. He was one of the most intelligent yet humble people I have known. And yet, just a simple person with a wonderful sense of humor and common interests. He will be greatly missed.

Rest in peace my friend

Larry

**Larry Schottke** - November 24, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ Mark was so much more than a Chemist at Praxair... he was a wonderful friend. A dear sweet person. He never spoke bad of anyone. He loved his work , but he also enjoyed the Three Stooges, Humphrey Bogart movies, collecting things and of course cats. He had a beautiful sense of humor. I loved working with him and learning from him. I'm glad we got time recently to have a nice lunch together. I will miss him very much. Great human being!

Loved him, Liz

**Dichristina Liz** - November 22, 2019 at 08:07 AM