



Mark Alan Hutchison

December 31, 1962 - June 6, 2012

A Memorial Service for Mark Alan Hutchison, age 49, will be at 2:00 PM Sunday, June 10, 2012, at Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home Chapel, with Robby Trammel officiating. Friends and family are invited to the Frisco Bar on Independence at noon Sunday to celebrate his life. Mark was born to Melvin and Bess (Lunday) Hutchison on December 31, 1962, in Enid, and passed away Wednesday, June 6, 2012, in Oklahoma City. Mark grew up in Enid and graduated from Enid High School in 1981. He then earned a Bachelors Degree in journalism from the University of Kansas in 1986. Mark worked for the Enid News & Eagle before joining The Oklahoman as a reporter in 1989. He worked his way up through the ranks, serving as a staff writer, chief of the Lawton bureau, assistant state editor, metro editor, and city editor. Mark enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time with his three daughters. He is survived by three daughters, Brooke Hutchison, Brandi Hutchison and Bethany Hutchison, all of Oklahoma City ; two sisters, Kay Goldstein of Altus and Anne Gerszewski and husband Fran of Enid; two brothers, Brad Hutchison and wife Beverly of Oklahoma City, and James Hutchison and wife Sherry of Edmond; and several nieces and nephews. Mark was preceded in death by his parents. Memorials may be made to Hutchison Children Education Fund.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mark I loved you more than you will ever know. Sorry I missed all of those years together.* ”

Debbie Maylon - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My prayers are with the Hutchison family* ”

June 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sympathy and prayers go to your family. Mark, you were a great guy and you will be missed. Rest in peace old friend.* ”

Kathy Hessel - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mark, I hope you understood the impact you had on me as a young journalist. Rest in peace my friend.* ”

Sheila Stogsdill - June 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We'll all miss this big guy, fine journalist and loving dad. Rest in peace, Hutch.* ”

Sonya Colberg - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mark, tomorrow we celebrate you, but later this summer, I'll meet you at the river. I love you brother...* ”

Mike Brown - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ James and family My sympathy and prayers are with you and your family during this time in your life.

Brenda Willis Robinson - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ I will miss the bedlam smack talking that brought us ever so close; I will miss the random late night phone calls , text messages and lengthy life analyzing discussions; I will miss your remarkable presence in my life. I WILL treasure and cherish the wonderful memories made from all the above and then some. So long for now my friend and thanks for being my crHUTCH!

Lori - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ What an amazng man...R~I~P

Barb - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Mark, Love from the Enger Brothers! Matt Enger

matt enger - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Dear Brooke, Brandi and Bethany, God bless you and your dear Father, Mark. I loved getting to work with Mark when he was City Editor for The Oklahoman and I needed the newspaper's help for the OKC Mayor's Committee on Disability Concerns. Mark is an inspirational example for all reporters and people with disabilities. He is in a better place looking out for you from above. Love, Pam Henry, Chair, OKC Mayor's Committee on Disability Concerns, retired OK TV Newswoman

Pam Henry - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *Mark was a great leader in Enid in addition to the newsroom. He had a special ability to lead and unite people, and his class of 1981 is the most close nit, united class of Enid High in recent history.*

Steve Gungoll - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *I'm deeply saddened by the passing of a great Oklahoma journalist.*

Matthew Brady - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *It has been an honor and privilege to do many stories with Mark over the years. He was a fair, honest, and humorous type person with a compassion for the truth. He loved his girls and spoke of them quite often. Mark was not only a great journalist but he was a great man. My deepest condolences go out to his family.*

Billy Frank Lance - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *I love you uncle Mark! You will be so missed but I know I have a new guardian angel! Love you so much!*

Paige Hutchison - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ *Bethany, We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. While I never met him, I have memories of him sitting in the car watching you play soccer. You could tell that he was so very proud of you. May you find comfort in the fact that you will always have an angel looking over you. Gretchen, Brian, and Jaycee*

Gretchen Freshour - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Hutch was honestly one of the biggest personalities in our class. The EHS Class of 1981 will miss him.

Curtis D - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I had the privilege of knowing Mark while working at the Enid News & Eagle, as a colleague and a friend. His love of life and intense passion for journalism always stood out with me. We had some great & crazy times both in and out of the newsroom. My sincere condolences to Mark's family and friends.

Andy Schrock - June 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Fantastic journalist and a great friend. Mark was sincere, passionate, stubborn, boisterous and full of life. To this day, I can still hear that loud belly laugh echoing across the newsroom. I am lucky to have been his colleague.

Tony Thornton - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Mark was a great colleague and always kind. You will be missed. My sympathy to the family.

Linda Scales - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Mark became city editor the same week I started at The Oklahoman, and he was still there, barking and backslapping, when I left. I still can't imagine the newsroom without him. He was a newsman's newsman, and he will be deeply missed.

Judy Gibbs Robinson - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ You will always be in my heart, dad. You were more than just an inspiration- you were my rock. The only person I knew to run to was you. This is going to be incredibly hard, but I know you're with me always. I love you so much.

brooke hutchison - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Goodbye, my dear friend.

Rob - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Rest in Peace my brother from a different mother. You inspired countless people. God now has the best journalist and PR man going. -- David

David C - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My sympathy to the family. I did not know Hutchison but I thank God for the courage he demonstrated until the end. God bless you all.

June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ One of the best has left us. God bless his family. He will be missed.

Don Gammill - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I have met anyone with Mark's enthusiasm for the task of putting out a daily newspaper. I can only strive to match his love for the craft...

Jay Marks - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

UF

“ We will miss you as much as we loved you. And always laugh at the memories. Are hearts are with you Mark -- the Ungerechts

Ungerecht family - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Brooke, Brandi and Beth, You had the best dad in the world, he loved you so much. He will always be with you. I will miss him too. I love you, Beverly

Beverly Hutchison - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ It was a privilege to have known Mark as a boss and as a friend. We all learned so much from him. That is the highest compliment. He leaves behind wonderful memories and a legacy with those he mentored.

Dawn Marks - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WE

“ 1973 Hayes Elementary, Enid, OK - First day of 5th grade- I was a brand new kid and you the smart kid - you made a lasting impression....you will be greatly missed Hutch!

WEE - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ I'll never forget you Mark! I often think of a bit of wise advice you gave me in a Leadership for Life class we got to take together. You told me that my "plate" was just too full and that I might need to clear some stuff off! You were a wonderful mentor and I'm grateful to have had the privilege of working with you!

Kim Anderson - June 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM