



## Jack Raffensberger Jr.

January 2, 1959 - January 30, 2021

Jack Raffensberger Jr. 62, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, Jan. 30, 2021 @ Carilion Roanoke Memorial, Roanoke, VA due to complications from Mantel Cell and T cell Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma and recently was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma. was born on 01-02-1959, in Girard, PA, the son of Jack, Sr. and Janet (Hayes) Raffensberger. Preceding him in passing:

Parents: Jack and Janet Raffensberger, Paternal Grandparents, Raymond and Evelyn (Daggett) Raffensberger, Maternal Grandparents, Robert and Thelma (Lawrence) Hayes, and a uncle, Jerry Raymond Raffensberger.

Jack graduated from Girard High School, class of 1977. Following graduation, Jack worked for the Girard School District for 29 years, and continued his hard work ethics with the Montgomery County School District until his diagnosis with Lymphoma in June, 2020.

Survivors include his loving wife (Cristal Huff Raffensberger) Cristal's children and Papa's Jack's grandchildren: Cristy (Keith) Keiper, grandchildren, Zachary Huff and Kaylin Keiper of Dublin, VA and Sabrina (Andy) Rutledge and grandson, Colton of Narrows, VA.

Jack's daughter Alicia Raffensberger Tellers (Michael) and Papa Jack's grandchildren, Anthony, Owen and Cecilia Tellers of Erie, PA. Jack is also survived by his six siblings: Debra (Thomas) Karwoski, Sue (Paul) Frey, Sandy, Karen, Sheri Raffensberger and his brother, Jeffrey (Denise) Raffensberger. Survived also by many nieces and nephews, as well as his Uncle & Aunt, Richard and (Dottie) Hayes of Albion, PA. Jack was mostly

known for his quick wit and big heart to all those he was in contact with, especially the special needs students. Jack was one of the “Good Guys”, always positive and happy-go-lucky! He will forever be loved and cherished through the countless (funny) memories we have all made with him throughout the years. The family would like to thank the staff and children at Auburn Elementary School for all of the love and support they provided “Mr. Jack”. In lieu of flowers please plant a tree in Jack’s memory. A memorial service will be Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Neal Turner officiating. The family will receive friends from 3:00 pm until service time. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **20**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home  
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060  
(540) 552-3211  
mccoyfuneralhome@verizon.net  
<https://mccoyfuneralhome.com>

## Memorial Service

FEB **20**. 4:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel  
150 Country Club Dr S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

# Tribute Wall



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Raffensberger Jr..*



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February 07, 2021 at 03:06 PM



“ *Great person with a great attitude! My condolences to the whole Raffensberger family!*

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**darrin mayes** - February 05, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ *I remember Jack from High School as one of the nicest guys, always smiling with those warm friendly eyes, just like this picture. Rest in Peace Jack. My condolences to his family and those he touched.*



*Chris Eagley Carlson*

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**chris carlson** - February 04, 2021 at 01:57 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Jack Raffensberger Jr..*



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February 04, 2021 at 08:32 AM

YF

“ *Your Raffensberger Family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Jack Raffensberger Jr..*



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**Your Raffensberger Family** - February 03, 2021 at 01:00 PM

TM

“ *Our family lived in Girard for seven years and Jack Was one of the coolest and kindest people that I knew while living there. He always treated everyone with respect and was just a ton of fun to be around. He truly was an awesome human being. 🕊️❤️🙏*

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**Tedd Meurer** - February 03, 2021 at 08:37 AM

JF

“ *Jack was such a blessing to his GLE family! He was so kind to everyone, particularly to our students with special needs. Mr. Jack will be truly missed by all of us!*

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**Jeanie Flad** - February 02, 2021 at 08:12 PM

JK

“ *John & Tammy Knorr lit a candle in memory of Jack Raffensberger Jr.*



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**John & Tammy Knorr** - February 02, 2021 at 06:18 PM

HE

“ Jack was one of the most positive people I know. Always there to say hello and have a conversation. He is missed in the GLE halls.

HeidiYork - February 02, 2021 at 05:32 PM

SZ

“ Always was willing to chat in school, loved our conversations. Jack was a really good guy, our condolences! Sam and Pat Zacour

Sam Zacour - February 02, 2021 at 05:05 PM

SB

“ Your grief is our grief. Jack was one of the good guys. He will forever be remembered by all his hometown family & friends for his helping spirit. Hold your memories close and let them bring you comfort. Sending hugs, love, tears & laughter..Jack would like that. RIP dear friend.  
David & Susan Benton

Sue Benton - February 02, 2021 at 12:11 PM

NS

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for strength and comfort during this difficult time.

Nancy sarnowski - February 02, 2021 at 11:20 AM

MG

“ Nicest guy. Never heard a negative word about him.

Marc Grumbach - February 02, 2021 at 10:43 AM

MM

*“ I am so sorry to read this. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family. I always enjoyed working with Jack at BMS. He was one awesome guy to work under. Jack you will be missed by many.*



**Melissa Mitchell** - February 02, 2021 at 10:13 AM

JS

*“ Always enjoyed working with Jack at BMS. He was hard working and very caring. He will be missed and fondly remembered.*

**Jim Shockley** - February 02, 2021 at 08:43 AM

DE

*“ Deepest sympathy, and prayers for his family. My daughter loved him as well as all of AES kids did. He was so good and kind to all of the kids.*



**Deann** - February 01, 2021 at 09:34 PM

FG

*Mister Jack could never be replaced . The best man a person could ever meet .*

**Fred GIBSON** - February 02, 2021 at 08:02 AM

CS

*Mr. Jack will continue to be missed here at Gilbert Linkous Elementary. His contagious smile and upbeat attitude had a daily positive impact on our staff and students. His consistent comment each day in conversation was "It's all about the kids, that's why we're all here". Jack's GLE family extends deepest sympathy to his family during this difficult time, Our thoughts and prayers are with you - you have lost someone very special.*

**Carol Slonka** - February 02, 2021 at 11:07 AM

NR

*My deepest sympathy to Jack's family. Jack was a very loving and gracious person. I got to know him over these past years and will truly miss his smile and jokes. The companionship and love he gave to Cristal was unending and special to witness. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May you feel my hugs of comfort.*

*Nancy Rakes*

**Nancy Rakes** - February 02, 2021 at 12:03 PM

JF

*My Condolences to the family, I knew Jack while growing up in Lake City. He'll be missed by many!*

**Joseph R Fox** - February 02, 2021 at 03:08 PM

CS

*My heart goes out to Cristal and family during this difficult time. During Jack's time at AES, he was definitely a shining star to each and everyone he came in contact with. No task was too large or taken lightly and he did it all with a smile each and every day! I am a better person for having know Jack.*

**Cynthia Saunders** - February 02, 2021 at 04:04 PM

LM

*Class of '77 lost one of the best. Had the pleasure of growing up with him in Girard. The lives he touched with his smile and caring nature are immeasurable! RIP brother!*

**Lori Miller** - February 03, 2021 at 11:38 AM

FS

*Larry is not on Facebook but asked me to send his sympathy. He considered Jack a great friend and cannot believe that he is gone. He spoke of so many memories that he had with Jack. We both send our sympathy and love to the family.*

**Floris Seneta** - February 03, 2021 at 12:35 PM

JM

*WE WILL MISS YOU JACK, YOU ALWAYS HAD A BIG SMILE !*

**JEFF MEEDER** - February 04, 2021 at 01:35 PM

BM

*Our deepest sympathy to Jack's family.  
Bob and Linda Maxson of Girard*

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**Bob and Linda Maxson** - February 05, 2021 at 04:01 PM

FP

*My deepest sympathy to jacks family.  
I always looked forward to working at AES. Jack was always there with  
a big smile and a positive remark. He always gave 110%, Loved the  
kids and life. He Will Be Missed.*

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**Frank poth** - February 18, 2021 at 02:20 PM