

Graham Payne

October 17, 1966 - November 6, 2020

Graham Payne, 54, a design engineer from Fiat Chrysler Automobiles and resident of Macomb, Michigan, passed away unexpectedly on November 6th, 2020 at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital.

The memorial will be held from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM on January 10th, 2021 at Wasik Funeral Home in Shelby Township, Michigan. The memorial service will start at 6:00 PM.

Graham was born in Portsmouth, England on October 17th, 1966. He graduated from Petersfield School and continued to receive a Higher National Certificate in Mechanical and Production Engineering from Highbury Technical College in Portsmouth, England in July of 1990. He started out as a Toolmaker in Petersfield, England from 1985 to 1990. From thereafter, he worked as an Engineer with various companies, and spent the last 20 years of his life working for Fiat Chrysler Automobiles in Auburn Hills, Michigan as a Design Engineer.

Graham married Lisa on August 22nd, 1992 in Sheet Hampshire, England. They were married for 28 years.

In early 2000, Graham, Lisa, and their children moved to Michigan so Graham could pursue his career at FCA. Graham was very proud of his profession and

took pride in everything that he did. He would always tell his friends to buy Chrysler products, especially the Dodge Ram.

Although working many hours, Graham still made the effort to put his family first. He was the biggest advocate of family. Graham refereed and coached for the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO), never missed a hockey game, and he organized many memorable camping trips and vacations. He was a very proud husband and father. He would talk endlessly about his family's lives and successes.

Graham was always a jokester. He was always laughing, telling jokes and making goofy faces, and never took life too seriously. He never sweat the small stuff and lived his life to the fullest. He enjoyed bowling with his wife Lisa every Monday night, playing billiards with his friends every Tuesday night, and golfing almost every weekend in the summer. Graham also loved camping, playing euchre and board games, and would always be taking on new home projects.

Graham is survived by his loving wife, Lisa Payne; his children, Emily Payne and Harry Payne; his parents, Kenneth (Jasmine) Payne and June (Ralph) Balfour; his brother Martin (Christine) Payne; his twin sister Maria (Andrew) Fisher; his mother-in-law Wendy (Clive) Bentley; his brother-in-law Andrew (Andrea) Eade; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graham is preceded in death by his father-in-law Leslie Eade.

Family, friends, and others whose lives Graham touched, are invited to Wasik Funeral Home on January 10th, 2021 to celebrate the life of Graham Payne.

**Due to the current health crisis in our nation, face coverings that cover the mouth and nose must be worn at all times in the funeral home as well as at

the church. Additionally we must limit the capacity at the funeral home to no more than 25 people at a time. This limit will remain in effect for the duration of the visitation as well as the funeral service. Please be advised that you may be asked to wait for people to dismiss before you can step in and pay your respects.**

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
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Memorial Service

JAN 10. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wasik Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Graham Payne*



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - January 10, 2021 at 05:25 PM

KH

Thoughts are with you at this difficult time x

Katie hoare - January 11, 2021 at 05:07 PM

CS

*I miss you, Graham.
Chris Szetela*

Chris Szetela - January 13, 2024 at 09:07 PM

RF

“ *Will miss you graham, love you always Bobby*



robert fowler - January 10, 2021 at 07:16 PM

GJ

“ *We will miss you, Graham! May your family be comforted by all the wonderful memories. ~George & Jerrie*

George & Jerrie - January 10, 2021 at 06:36 PM

FF

“ *Fiona Noakes And Family lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Fiona Noakes and family - January 10, 2021 at 05:02 PM

FF

Thinking of Graham's family at this difficult time from Fiona, Paul and Becky in Kent, UK xxx

Fiona Noakes and family - January 10, 2021 at 05:04 PM

JL

Missing my good friend, and thinking of his wonderful family at this time. Hugs to all!

John Long - January 10, 2021 at 05:56 PM

MF

“ *Maria And Andy Fisher lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Maria and Andy Fisher - January 10, 2021 at 04:58 PM

SX

“ *Sarah, Dave And Edward Xxx lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Sarah, Dave and Edward xxx - January 10, 2021 at 04:46 PM

KP

“ *Ken & Jasmine Payne lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Ken & Jasmine Payne - January 10, 2021 at 03:50 PM

JE

“ *Love you uncle Graham. Hands down the most funny, caring and kindest guy! Going to miss you tonnes !! R.I.P* ❤️❤️❤️



josh eade - January 10, 2021 at 03:39 PM

CE

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Clair Eames - January 10, 2021 at 11:51 AM

MM

“ *Mike & Michelle Mileski lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Mike & Michelle Mileski - January 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

MP

“ *Martin Payne lit a candle in memory of Graham Payne*



Martin Payne - January 10, 2021 at 10:49 AM

BT

“ *We met Lisa and Graham ten years ago and we soon became best friends. We shared many interests including hockey and camping and our love of England. Graham would do anything for a friend. He freely shared his talents and would go the extra mile for you. We spent his last weekend camping at our RV park. It turned out to be one of our most memorable and fun experiences. We took Lisa and Graham on a golf cart ride tour around the park. While out, we were caught in a sudden thunderstorm. Graham and I were riding on the back with no protection from the rain. We all laughed as we tried to navigate the golf cart back to our respective campers in the torrential rain. I had brought only one pair of jeans with me. The next morning Graham and Lisa went shopping to get a heater for their camper and also brought me a pair of jogging pants to wear. Graham will be remembered for his twinkling blue eyes, his goodness and kindness and his raucous sense of humor. We love you Graham and know we were blessed to have had you as a friend.*

Bill and Dawn Toutant - January 09, 2021 at 10:09 PM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Graham Payne.*



January 09, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ *I worked with Graham at the studio at FCA and played golf with him on our Design Office league. He was a great guy to talk to in the studio. Always smiling. I will always remember him. Truly a shock when we heard the news. It was way too young. Rest in peace Graham. My condolences to his family. - Ernie Willoughby*

Ernie Willoughby - January 09, 2021 at 06:23 PM

PT

My deepest sympathy I was shocked to hear of Graham's passing. Such an excellent person to work with, did a superb job, me will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. Rest in peace

Paul Thomas - January 10, 2021 at 08:43 AM

DS

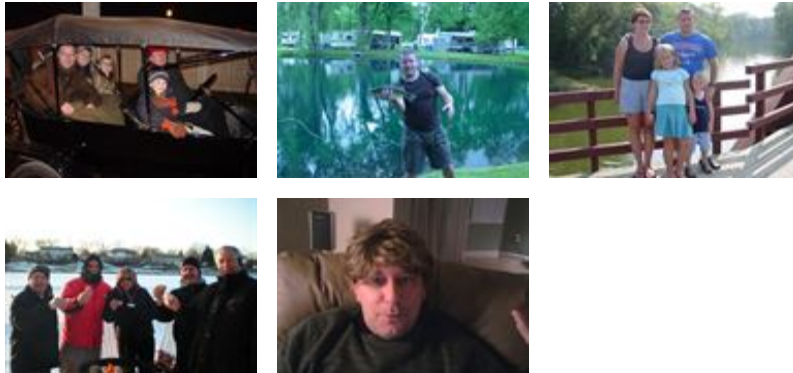
“ I send my best wishes to Lisa and your family.
I spent my Apprenticeship years at Tooling Products with Graham learning life as young men with a few pounds in our pockets. Some great times and great memories.
I send you a couple of photos I found of an annual dinner dance from those days in the late 1980's
The photo in front of the car is (L-R) Steve Harms, Dean Scopes, Dave Pragnell, Wayne Port & Graham Himself. Happy Days.
My condolences,
Dean Scopes



Dean Scopes - January 08, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ 21 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2021 at 09:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Graham Payne.*



January 07, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ *Graham and Lisa were our first friends when we moved to Michigan and they were a blessing from the first moment we met them. I remember Graham always smiling, always ready to help, and always joking.*

Tania Irizar de Cruz - January 06, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Graham Payne.*



January 06, 2021 at 05:50 PM



“ *Graham was a great guy to work with and good fun to be around. Always smiling and forever humorous. It was a privilege to have know him and he will be sorely missed at FCA. My deepest sympathy to his family.*

Dave Ireland

David Ireland - January 05, 2021 at 07:21 AM

JK

“ Many of us at FCA have had the privilege of working with Graham in one capacity or another. He came into our lives at FCA 20 years ago to help train some of us designers on Catia and after that joined our ranks as a design engineer. I got to know Graham better when we bumped into each other while camping with our families. After that, when crossing paths at work we often stopped to talk about our kids and share stories about camping. I'll light my next campfire in his honor. Graham will truly be missed and thought of often. My condolences and continued prayers for his family.

Jackie Kraemer

Jackie Kraemer - January 04, 2021 at 01:25 PM

GW

“ I have worked with Graham for 10 years and considered him a good friend. He taught me a lot about the inner workings of PDO and was always there to help. Graham deeply cared about his family and talked about them frequently. The conversations we used to have talking about Harry, Hockey and family are memories I will always cherish. My prayers and condolences to your family.

Cheers Mate you will be missed!
Gary Wardosky

Gary Wardosky - January 04, 2021 at 01:10 PM

CP

“ I sat next to Graham for two years in the PDO interior studio. He was always willing to help and was a great guy. My deepest condolences to the Payne family.

Chuck Papineau

Chuck Papineau - January 04, 2021 at 08:36 AM

JH

“ Always a face I was happy to see at the rink. Easy to talk with and sharp as a tack, Graham was universally liked.

His devotion to Harry and Harry's teams was total and though our boys didn't play on the same team, I respected him for his friendliness and dedication.

Graham was genuine.

Jim Harrington - January 03, 2021 at 08:23 PM



“ Seventeen Years ago we met Graham & his family, through our daughters soccer team. Days later we discovered he was our neighbor, and work colleague. It couldn't have made for a faster friendship of the English and the Irish. Graham was passionate about his kids and family and never missed an opportunity to show his devotion and love for his kids passions. We shared many moments in life, laughing and enjoying raising our kids together. We will forever have a hole in our hearts, missing our time with our mate! Gone way too soon. Our prayers are with the Payne family, across the pond and close here to home.

*The Moore's
Aaron, Holly, Alex & Meghan*

Holly Moore - January 03, 2021 at 03:07 PM

MC

“ I was so sad to hear the news of Graham's passing. I had the pleasure of working with Graham at FCA for many years and he was truly a professional and a gentleman. He will be truly missed. My condolences to his wife, children, and the rest of his family and friends. RIP my friend!

Marco Cercone

Marco Cercone - January 03, 2021 at 02:55 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Graham Payne.



January 03, 2021 at 01:13 PM