

Jerry Feldman

April 5, 1946 - August 20, 2015

Feldman, Jerry

August 20, 2015, age 69 years, of Mequon. Beloved husband of Debra Feldman (nee Rand). Cherished brother of Ardell (Nathan) Pakula and their son Seth; Allen (Marian) Feldman and their sons Zev, David and David's daughter Amelia; mother-in-law Norma "Toot" Rand, sister-in-law Candy (Tim) Flagstad and their daughter Haley. Further survived by his puppy girl Samantha along with many good friends and relatives. Preceded in death by his adoring son Michael Rand Feldman, father Maurice Feldman, Harry and Lily Stein and Harold Rand.

Jerry was a raconteur with an irresistible personality. Aside from his family, he pursued two passions in his life. The first was music. He began drumming in his early teens and quickly became a fixture on the Milwaukee music scene.

He graduated from John Marshall High School in 1965 and played in a number of bands before settling in as the drummer for the popular band Saints Five. Like many other musicians of that era, Jerry did his clothes shopping at the legendary Johnnie Walker's. The combination of Jerry's people skills and sense of style led the owner of the store - Jay Kodner - to convince Jerry to come and work with him.

Thus was born his passion for the men's clothing business, which he pursued up until the day he died. Jerry worked at Boston Store for the last nine years and was leaving a meeting at the Bay Shore store when he was involved in the accident that claimed his life. Between Walker's and Boston Store, he worked for Yves St. Laurent and Oscar de la Renta, among others. He worked in Los Angeles and New York before returning to the retail floor in Milwaukee as his "retirement job."

A memorial is planned for a later date. Please check the funeral home website for more information. Memorials are appreciated to the Wisconsin Breast Cancer Coalition, PO Box 170031, Milwaukee, WI 53217.

HoneyBunny, Thank you for an amazing 35 years.
Forever and a day ... give a smell kiss to BiffyBoy.

Dear Family and Friends

Please join me in celebrating my darling husband Jerry's life!

And I mean celebrate!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4, 2015 1:00 PM

THE WISCONSIN COUNTRY CLUB [AKA BRYNWOOD CC]

6200 W GOOD HOPE ROAD

MILWAUKEE WI 53223

I look forward to seeing you all

HUGS...Debra

Comments



“ Sarah Bean lit a candle in memory of Jerry Feldman



Sarah Bean - August 26, 2015 at 10:11 AM



“ Jerry, will be greatly missed, we worked together at Boston Store, he would always stop by the fine jewelry counter, and remind me of the fact we were trapped like hamsters. He knew he had our attention. Being a true gentlemen, we talked of "living the dream" working at Boston Store. He had a true flare of making us feel special, and And touch our hearts.His sense of style, his humorous witty laughter, I will truly miss him. May we all carry Jerry close in our hearts. May his family find comfort knowing how much he was loved. Debbie LaDue

Debbie LaDue - August 25, 2015 at 10:42 PM



“ When I started working down in men's shoes I became Jerry's neighbor or rather as he called it his lovely assistant. He welcomed me into his department by announcing to his buddies that they finally hired the right one to measure inseams. I had not a clue of what he meant until I came home that night and told my parents that the guy in suits gave me a special job. As I learned...that was only the beginning of Jerry's proactive humor. Jerry mentored all of the young people who worked with him. I thought I knew a lot about customer service until I met Jerry. I would just watch and listen to conversation after conversation, enamored with his personal touch and respect for the customer in front of him or the one he had on the phone. A week had passed since I took a new job across the parking lot and Friday I had planned to come back and share my excitement with Jerry but instead, I was forced to look up to him once again...My heart goes out to not only his surviving family but those like myself who "grew up" with him as a mentor and caring "store father". JERRY you are missed! Jacque Kohal

Jacque Kohal - August 25, 2015 at 09:20 PM



“ To Debra and the entire Rand and Feldman family. I am so sorry and saddened by the sudden and tragic loss of Jerry. He was such a wonderful, caring and compassionate human being. Although I only saw Jerry occasionally (usually Benjis or Range Line Inn), I will miss his smiling face and glowing personality. With my deepest sympathies.

Keith Raskin

Keith Raskin - August 24, 2015 at 03:24 PM



“ 20 files added to the album Jerry's Bidermann Days



Chris Calligan - August 24, 2015 at 10:59 AM



“ Jerry was one of the most likeable people that I have ever had the pleasure to have met and with whom I have ever worked. His helping hand was always extended and his jovial demeanor was infectious. He's a man that made the most of every waking moment even when enduring the heartbreaking loss of his son. It warms my heart to think of his reunion with Michael in the after life. I pray for Debra and the family and that they proudly carry the memory of his legacy in being such a great husband, brother, father, and for me, a great friend. RIP Jerry and God bless you.

Chris Calligan - August 24, 2015 at 11:11 AM



“ I worked with Jerry at Boston Store. When he was there the day went by fast. He made me laugh. Deepest sympathies to his wife and family. The suit department won't be the same without him.

Joanne Sheahan

Joanne Sheahan - August 23, 2015 at 08:20 PM



“ Jerry Feldman was 1 of my favorite people. He was not only a very good friend but had a cutting sense of humor, love people and always found the best in everyone. My wife and I had were fortunate enough to have enjoyed a great meal together with Jerry and Debra in NYC a few months ago. We had much in common and talked as often as possible by phone and saw each other when he was in NYC or I was in MKE. We used to travel together often. We competed often on who gave the best seminars. I will now admit it was you Jerry, the best!

The road goes on forever, Jerry! Miss you already amigo. Feldman is my co-pilot!

Bruce Z

Bruce Zeitlin - August 23, 2015 at 05:06 PM



“ My sincere sympathy to all who loved Jerry. I met Jerry in grade school - Browning School and then to John Muir for middle school. He came to our 45th Custer class reunion and it was so good to see him. In school he was always smiling. Made us wonder what he was up to. :) His humor was wonderful - a very special friend. Love and blessings to the family. Audrey Herman Crowell

Audrey Herman Crowell - August 23, 2015 at 04:15 PM



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Lynn Halliburton - August 23, 2015 at 11:42 AM



“ Dear Jerry, I wanted to thank you for the time spent talking together reminiscing about Johnnie Walker's and the many other things that we would joke about. I remember well you always would complain about me taking your parking spot at the store. We laughed over that. Thank you for your friendship and humor and the time spent talking. I will miss you.

Nick Goersch

PS I never will park in your spot again.

Nick Goersch - August 23, 2015 at 09:23 AM



“ We only knew Jerry a little, and we liked him a lot. He was one of those people that was instantly likeable. Our hearts are broken. Our deepest condolences go out to the family. Marla and Jerry Gulotta

Marla Jerry Gulotta - August 23, 2015 at 08:28 AM



“ My sincerest condolences to Deb, Ardell, and all of Jerry's family and friends. As with all of us, I am stunned and saddened by this sudden loss. After being part of Jerry's extended family while growing up, our life paths took us in different directions. 40 years later, I was thrilled to have reconnected with my "cousins" Jerry & Ardell at a reunion, and it was though we had been nearby all the time. In the 5 years since, it has been great fun keeping up with them. I was disappointed to not have been able to attend the Teen Lounge reunion last year. Jerry, more than anybody, was the one person I was hoping to spend more time with. So many of you have had the good fortune to have been in his life all along, and I share everybody's sense of loss, which will be hard to reconcile.

Mike Feller - August 22, 2015 at 06:14 PM



“ Jeneene Safer lit a candle in memory of Jerry Feldman



Jeneene Safer - August 22, 2015 at 06:10 PM



“ Jerry was my very dear friend for many years. Always a gentleman, always sweet & funny, but most always he was genuine. I will miss you. Jeneene

Jeneene Safer - August 22, 2015 at 06:14 PM



“ Jerry was a wonderful person plus a gentlemen. We new him from John Marshall. We enjoy seeing him at the Range Line. We are especially grateful for the help he gave us in choosing suits and ties for our sons wedding. A sharp dresser with a wonderful personality. He will be missed by everyone who new him.

Tom & Sharon Seidemann

Sharon - August 23, 2015 at 04:45 PM



“ Mona Marino lit a candle in memory of Jerry Feldman



Mona Marino - August 22, 2015 at 04:35 PM



“ Time is too slow for those that wait,
Too swift for those that fear,
Too long for those that grieve,
Too short for those who rejoice,
But for those who love, time is Eternity.

While today my heart breaks for you, Debra,
I know you and Jerry and Michael will someday
be together again, and for that day, I rejoice!

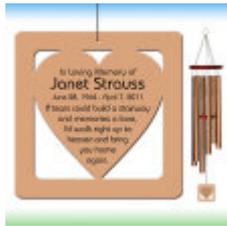
You are in my heart and prayers dear friend.

With all my love and sympathy, Mo

Mona Marino - August 22, 2015 at 04:32 PM



“ Gail Berliant and family purchased the Heart Wind Chime - Personalized for the family of Jerry Feldman.



Gail Berliant and family - August 22, 2015 at 01:10 PM



“ Please accept our deepest sympathy. Keep you memories close.

Friends from Lakefront Festival of Art,

Candee Erickson and John Brzek

Candee Erickson and John Brzek - August 22, 2015 at 11:50 AM



“ My heart weeps for you. Keep the memories alive. My deepest sympathy to you during this difficult time. Linda Lundeen

Linda Lundeen - August 22, 2015 at 12:42 PM



“ My Prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.

Tim Garland - August 22, 2015 at 02:18 PM



“ I was so shocked and saddened to hear about the sudden loss of Jerry. Never have I met a more kind upbeat man. Although I did not know him well, every time I ran into both of you he was always smiling. It was obvious what great partners you were. I am so very sorry for your loss. I hope you can find some comfort from those who care so deeply for you Deb. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Marcy Pavalon Wendt - August 22, 2015 at 10:19 AM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss!
You where such a wonderful couple!
You could see that you where best friends, Playmates and always together enjoying the most out of life.
Jerry will be missed by so many, what a wonderful person he was.
Our prayers and thoughts are with your entire family..
Pam and Craig kuper

Craig kuper - August 22, 2015 at 08:03 AM



“ I cannot wrap my head around this. Jerry's death will leave a gaping hole in the hearts of everyone who knew him. My prayers for comfort and strength go out to Deb and Jerry's family.
Kris Drollinger Ashpole

Kristine Ashpole - August 22, 2015 at 07:17 AM



“ Larry Klein is following this tribute.

Larry Klein - August 22, 2015 at 03:48 AM



“ My deepest condolences to Debra, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jean Kolmas - August 21, 2015 at 10:52 PM



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Eve Graves (Stein) - August 21, 2015 at 09:35 PM



“ Uncle Jerry with me his niece and my husband Wayne

Eve Graves (Stein) - August 21, 2015 at 09:36 PM



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Eve Graves (Stein) - August 21, 2015 at 09:33 PM



“ RIP Jerry! You've made such an incredible impact on so many lives. You will be greatly missed, but remembered forever. Our deepest condolences to Deb and the entire family.

Paul & Marcy Moll



Paul & Marcy Moll - August 21, 2015 at 09:22 PM



“ There are some people who when on this earth touch so many in so many ways more than history will ever record. My life was infinitely better because Jerry was my friend. See you again down the road.

My condolences to Debra, the family to all those that Jerry touched.

Jeff Malakoff

Jeffrey Malakoff - August 21, 2015 at 09:10 PM



“ Stewart Golden lit a candle in memory of Jerry Feldman



stewart golden - August 21, 2015 at 08:45 PM



“ It is with great sadness and fondness that I share this. I had known Jerry for close to 60 years. Though many of them apart we re-contacted a few weeks ago at Marshall's mini and again at Kitts. It was like we just saw each other a short while ago, sharing old jokes and stories. Jerry and I graduated Marshall at the same time and had many of the same loves such as music. He a drummer and I a singer. We started our musical careers at about the same time and played a few "gigs" together. He will be greatly missed by his family and all of the people he touched in his life. I regarded Jerry as a real MENCH and will miss his never ending smile. Rest In Peace my old friend.

Myles "MICKY" LeVine

Myles LeVine - August 21, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ I cannot find the words to express my sorrow over the death of Jerry. His friendship is something that I will always cherish. He was a unique individual who made me laugh and made me smile. My heart is broken at the loss of this very special individual. May he rest in peace and forever be in our memory. My deepest condolences to his entire family at this time of great sorrow, for the world has surely lost a great one.

karen schlafman - August 21, 2015 at 07:43 PM



“ I had the pleasure of interviewing Jerry as he started a new chapter of his career and he was one of the best hires I made as the HR manager of Boston Store Mayfair. He was always a professional, always a gentleman and forever a friend. I was lucky to have known him and will miss him dearly. My heart goes out to his family at this very difficult time.

Lannette. Majchrzak - August 21, 2015 at 06:45 PM



“ I met Jerry 9 years ago when he joined our MF team. His smile lit up a room. He was a true gentleman and I will miss him terribly. My sympathy to his family.

Lolly Carlson

Lolly Carlson - August 21, 2015 at 05:12 PM



“ A person meets many people during the course of their life time some quickly forgotten, but not Jerry. His smile would brighten any one's day. He was an amazing man and will be missed tremendously. We feel honored to have known him.

Linda and Keith Kaebisch (Mayfair Boston Store)

Linda Kaebisch - August 21, 2015 at 04:25 PM



“ Jerry was the consummate professional. He dressed professionally yet with a sense of whimsy. He truly loved the men's clothing business along with music. He was my go to person when it came to what to wear. But the most important thing I will always remember about Jerry is his compassion for people. I am truly saddened by his passing. He was a true friend and will be missed by many. God's blessing and comfort to his family and loved ones.

Tim Babler

Tim Babler - August 21, 2015 at 03:15 PM



“ I have been lucky to have known Jerry the last 7 yrs, his humor is what made my days at Boston Store a joy. I will miss his smile and conversations. My heart goes out to his family.

Rosita Jensen (mayfair Boston store)

Rosita Jensen - August 21, 2015 at 02:32 PM



“ Jerry--you were one of the first to welcome me so graciously to the Mayfair Boston Store. You were also very ready to compliment and encourage me in my endeavors at Mayfair. We connected early on over shared acquaintances from our East Coast retail experiences.

You were never shy in sharing your opinions and recommendations and I frequently not only learned from them but also acted upon them.

May God welcome you into his loving care and grant strength to your family and friends as we all try to reconcile to the sudden loss of you.

I will miss you!

Peg Klieforth, SM, Mayfair Boston Store - August 21, 2015 at 02:25 PM



“ this man was thee best.and I will miss everything about him...he was always so good to me. and he always made me smile.his packer socks on facebook made every game day.it was a true pleasure being his friend...and deb you should also know that we all love you too...hugs to you and you are always in my heart.i will miss you mr. Feldman forever and a day...teri vanert bs mayfair

teri vanert - August 21, 2015 at 02:15 PM



“ I can still hear Jerry coming through the office doors at work, not even to my office yet, saying in a singing kind of tone..."Beanskiiii" and my normal response being "Hi Jer!!!" and he was always making sure that I was doing alright...He was always there to brighten my day of work with humor and sarcasm!! Boy will I miss him!!! My heart goes out to Jerry's dear wife Debra, whom he always spoke of with such love, and the rest of his family. We are so blessed to have had him in our lives!!
~Sarah Bean (Mayfair Boston Store)

Sarah Bean - August 21, 2015 at 02:12 PM



“ It's been almost one year when Jerry gave a loving and beautiful tribute to Jay Kodner, his mentor and friend. I shall never forget it. I am so sad to hear of this terrible tragedy.

Lil teplinsky

Lillian Teplinsky - August 21, 2015 at 01:33 PM