



Timothy "Tim" "Brownie" Brown

June 20, 1955 - April 12, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Timothy "Tim" "Brownie" Brown

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1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Timothy "Tim" "Brownie" Brown of Murphysboro passed away Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at the Carbondale Memorial Hospital after a short illness. He was born on June 20, 1955 to the late Everett and Earnestine (House) Brown.

As a young man, Tim was very athletic and participated in every kind of sport. He graduated from Murphysboro High School in 1973 and was inducted into the Murphysboro Red Devils Hall of Fame for all of his athletic achievements. Tim was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed fishing and spending time at the lake. As an adult his enthusiasm for sports continued and was a big part of his fun time. Tim's greatest joy was participating in his children's sporting events that he was proud to have coached for more than a decade.

Tim is survived by his sons, Brandon, Bryan, Brett, and Brock Brown; their mother, Mary Brown; granddaughter, Chloe Mariko Brown; siblings, Gary

Brown (Harri), Don Brown (Lydia), Judy Hoffman (David), Rick Brown (Sandy) Debbie Kennedy (Oliver), and Cathy Schnautz (Fred); sister-in-law, Tiffany Brown; mother-in-law, Jeri Morgan; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Tim will be cremated according to his wishes. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 3:00 PM at Riverside Park Shelter, 2610 W. Riverside Park, Murphysboro, IL 62966.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Murphysboro Athletic Club, 50 Blackwood Drive, Murphysboro, IL 62966.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home-Murphysboro.

Tribute Wall



“ *Timothy "Tim" "Brownie" Brown*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *So very many pleasant memories of our time together...mostly in a gym! You were special & so were your teammates. CCTTEE*

Tom Ashman - June 20, 2023 at 09:03 PM



“ *Tim was one of my childhood heroes. He played football and basketball at MTHS in the early 70's. I was only about 10 -11 years old when he was a senior in high school. But this was at a time that football and basketball was KING. The pit would be standing room only and that is a huge place to fill up. Watching Tim and all the other super heroes he played with was pure joy for a little kid. They were my childhood heroes. After I got older, we would always run into each other from time to time and I still looked up to Tim and his other teammates. He definitely will be missed and will always be a hero to me. Love you Brownie. Thanks for being a friend to a young boy and later a grown man.*

Jeff Holloway - April 23, 2023 at 10:43 PM

JS

“ Timmy Brown - the Lincoln Grade School "Class Clown" - evidently his reputation preceded him, because at the start of 4th Grade Mr. Gordon Abernathy put Tim's desk at the front of the classroom, almost touching the teacher's desk. When Tim would be making the entire class laugh by whatever antic he was doing out would come the wooden yardstick and WHACK !! A piece would fly over our heads and Mr. Abernathy would give Tim the "mean look" - which meant he better knock it off. So class would be boring for a week or so and sure enough the pieces would fly again. I think there was only 7-8 inches left of that 36" ruler by Summertime. Nowadays, Mr. Abernathy would be fired and Tim would be on medication, but for us, 4th grade was the most fun I ever had in a class. And he was the nicest guy - never made fun of me like some of the others did. After our last reunion we stopped by the casino he worked at (in California) and he treated us as though we were "High Rollers" when all we played was a roll of nickels - such a fun, nice guy. Sending peaceful thoughts to his family, and hopefully sharing memories from his hometown brings some joy.

Joyce (Yearian) Schemonia - April 19, 2023 at 01:42 PM

RW

“ So very sorry to learn of a cousin's passing. My Grandmother Wanda Marie House Brothers. Sending love and prayers to entire family. ❤️

Robyn Williams - April 19, 2023 at 01:12 AM

CW

“ Judy & entire Brown family—I was so sorry to see of your brother's passing. I know this is hard, but just remember the good times & hold your family close. My prayers go out to you all.

Carol Wehmeyer - April 18, 2023 at 03:44 PM

GS

“ So sorry for the Brown family and Charlene’s loss. Tim was one of my longest friends. We went to school together since second grade. Played on the same little league team together, the Twins. He was the touchdown throwing quarterback back that I passed blocked for. Without a doubt one of the best Red Devils ever. Lifelong friends. This hurts. Love ya Brownie Man!

Gene Schwebel

Gene Schwebel - April 18, 2023 at 09:14 AM

JW

“ Tim was a great guy and a terrific athlete. So sorry to hear of his passing---way too soon!

Jane Williams - April 18, 2023 at 08:52 AM

CM

“ Tim came up and thanked me (recently) for teaching him Senior Life Saving / Life Guarding at Riverside Pool. Over a period of time about 25 years I taught many of these classes. He was always a very out going and pleasant person. Please keep me posted about his celebration of life. Charlie McCann 618-303-5079.

Charles McCann - April 17, 2023 at 08:26 PM

GW

“ Tim was a great guy. I stayed in contact with him since we were kids. So sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to all his family. He will be missed. Gary Wills.

Gary Wills - April 17, 2023 at 05:14 PM

TH

Tim was someone that I always looked up to. As an 8th grader, I remember sweeping the floor at half-time for varsity basketball games in "the pit" (the old MTHS gym). Taking it all in while our incredible band performed, I couldn't wait to become a Red Devil athlete.

During the home games, I would sit on the floor behind one of the baskets and take pictures of Tim and his amazing team. .He had one of the most perfect jump shots that I've ever seen--and he was a tremendous person on and off the court.

To my classmate, Cathy, and all of the Brown family--thoughts and healing wishes are with you, and thanks for sharing Tim with us!

*Tim Hood
Class of '77*

Tim Hood - April 19, 2023 at 11:27 AM

JO

Coach Brown, I was not well known in Cathedral City, being from SF Bay Area California. But when I Joined the CCHS Basketball team, you were a blessing in my life. I will never forget you opening the doors to your home and gave me a hug to let me cry when my broken home was to overwhelming to be in. Nobody knows that, but it was one of the most awesome thins someone's done for me.

Jose - May 15, 2023 at 11:42 AM