



## Kirk T. Spencer

February 8, 1962 - September 4, 2018

Kirk T. Spencer, 56, of Homewood, died suddenly on Sept., 4, 2018. He is survived by his loving family: wife of 34 years, Jacque Spencer nee Bottum; children: Amy Evans, Scott, Mark, Samuel, Kyle, Jacob, and Haley Spencer. Proud Pa of Tristan and Tyler Evans. He was a Professor of Medicine at the University of Chicago, a passionate teacher and researcher in Echocardiography, and Director of the Echo Lab. A graduate of The Univ. of Michigan, he attended medical school at Univ. of Chicago, served his residency at John Hopkins Univ., and served a fellowship at Univ. of Iowa. A devout Christian, he was active at Solutions Church in Matteson, IL and a long-time servant in the mission field. He was goofy, loving, and generous at his core. He loved games of all shapes and sizes. He was a hockey nut and coached H-F Youth Hockey for years. Many will remember him as the proprietor of his own backyard ice rink, a great source of pride and family fun. Memorial Visitation will be held on Sat., Sept. 8th from 9:30 a.m. until the time of Memorial Service at 12:00 p.m. at Kurtz Memorial Chapel, 65 Old Frankfort Way, Frankfort, IL. 60423. In lieu of flowers, memorials strongly preferred to The Ministry of Grace Gardens, a refuge for women and children who are victims of human trafficking – donate at [beautifulfeet.global](http://beautifulfeet.global). Click “Donate” Select “0327 Grace Gardens” under Special Funds and Projects. Arrangements entrusted to Heartland Memorial Center. To sign guestbook or for info visit [kurtzmemorialchapel.com](http://kurtzmemorialchapel.com) or call 708-444-2266.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

SEP 8. 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kurtz Memorial Chapel (Frankfort)  
65 Old Frankfort Way  
P.O Box 1031  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

KM

“ Dear Jacque, I was so shocked to learn today of Kirk's passing nearly three years ago. I have so many memories of fun times with Kirk and Kerry (and you, too!) at Covington and Seaholm. Love and prayers to you and your family. Kevin Mueller

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**Kevin R. Mueller** - September 01, 2021 at 04:43 AM

RB

“ Dear Jacque and kids, I just found out today about the passing of Kirk and am deeply saddened by this. I worked as his secretary at the University of Chicago for a few years and he was one of the best bosses I ever had. He had a great sense of humor and a very compassionate heart. He was a pleasure to work for. RIP. Renata Bergunder

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**Renata E Bergunder** - November 05, 2018 at 08:08 PM

FS

“ Jacque and kids -  
Sending hugs and love from all of us. Kirk was brilliant and kind, smart and humble, a man who loved you all so deeply. I have no words strong enough or deep enough to convey my sadness and grief. Please know that we are here for you in any way that you need.  
with love and great sadness - the Shirers

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**Fran Shirer** - September 11, 2018 at 11:14 PM

NF

“ *Dr. Spencer was my late husband's cardiologist. Mike had complete faith in the treatment he received. I met with Dr. Spencer several times on appointments with my husband. He was so engaging, caring and knowledgeable. It was a privilege to get to know him. Gone too soon. My condolences and prayers.*

*Nancy Ficaro*

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**Nancy Ficaro** - September 09, 2018 at 11:05 AM

JA

“ *As we grieve the loss of such a wonderful soul, our family will forever have the best memories of Kirk. From the karaoke battle we had on guitar hero, to the fond memories my boys have of playing "Capture the Flag". Anytime we gathered, he always made us laugh and imprinted his fun loving spirit into our hearts. Our family is forever blessed to have known him.*

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**Julie & David Agosto** - September 08, 2018 at 07:31 PM

DD

“ *Kirk was an amazing mentor! I will cherish all of the time he spent teaching me in the echo lab. He was more than a teacher, he was a friend too. We loved having Sporcle Trivia battles, quoting Wizard of Oz, and hearing stories of backyard hockey. He will be missed, but his teachings and memories will live on through all of the doctors he helped to train!*

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**David Davidson** - September 07, 2018 at 12:21 PM

SS

“ *Dear Jacque, my heart is heavy with this news. I remember seeing you and Kirk last at Chuck & Ardi's wedding and what a nice time we had! Mike and I will be praying for you and the kids. Peace be with you.*



*Love, Susan and Mike Sullivan*

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**Susan Sullivan** - September 07, 2018 at 07:42 AM