



Jerry Baumgardner

Jerry Baumgardner died in his 52nd year on August 20th, surrounded by his wife, mother, and four children, just shy of a year after his diagnosis of pancreatic cancer. Everyone who knew Jerry knew his determination to remain strong to the end, and he died in peace.

Jerry was born in Wytheville, Virginia on April 28, 1956, a son of the late Dr. John P. Baumgardner and Margaret Hicks Baumgardner, of Wytheville, Virginia. He has one brother, Keith Ainsley Baumgardner, of Greensboro, North Carolina. Jerry, an Eagle Scout, had an idyllic childhood in the small town of Wytheville, excelling at sports, photography, and especially golf. He met Jane, his wife of thirty years, in sophomore English class at George Wythe high school, and they were soul mates from that point on - marrying right after college.

Jerry and Jane built a wonderful life together, raising four amazing children: Kate and fiancé<sup>3/4</sup>fi<sup>1/2</sup>© Scott Bryan Wilson, both of Manhattan; Sarah and husband Mark Andrew McKee, also of Manhattan; William of Lancaster; and John of Philadelphia. They loved their father dearly: Jerry was always coaching their teams, cheering at events, chairing a school committee, or standing and clapping proudly at concerts and performances. Among much fatherly advice, guidance, and wisdom, what Jerry instilled in his children the most was his life ethic: to be as good a person as you can be. Above all, Jerry loved his family and was devoted to them with a passion he reserved for nothing else.

He and his family were active members of St. James Episcopal Church since moving to Lancaster in 1984. An indispensable usher, Jerry was also instrumental in developing and overseeing the St. James Endowment Board of Trustees. Jerry was Executive Vice President of McGlinn Capital Management, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania. He will be sorely missed by his colleagues.

The service of Christian burial will be performed at St. James Episcopal Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania on Saturday, August 23rd at 11 AM with The Right Reverends Dr. Nathan D. Baxter and Rodney R. Michel, and Deacon Mary Lou Broucht presiding. Friends of the family will be received in the Chapel at St. James from 10 AM until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Jerry's name to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, donation forms can be obtained online at [www.pancan.org](http://www.pancan.org), or to St. James Episcopal Church, 119 North Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602. Fred F. Groff, Inc.