



James Marcus "Marc"
Sholar

Oct. 22, 1964 - June 22, 2024

James Marcus "Marc" Sholar passed on Saturday June 22, 2024 just nine days after a terminal cancer diagnosis. Marc was born in Asheboro, North Carolina on October 22, 1964 to Edsel W. Sholar and Peggy Y. Sholar. He graduated from Asheboro High School in 1983 and entered the Merchant Marines for a stint before attending High Point University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Home Furnishings. He had a 30-year career as a furniture manufacturer's sales rep for both Stanley Furniture and Universal Furniture.

On December 30, 1994, Marc married the love of his life, Stacey Byrd Sholar, whom he was with for 30 years. They enjoyed traveling together, including treasured trips to New York City, Las Vegas, Santa Barbara, and countless weekends seeing their children. After a brief period in Tampa, Florida they settled in Morganton, North Carolina where they raised two children, Sarah and Ben. There was nothing Marc was more proud of than his family, which he told them until he was no longer able.

Marc was an incredibly kind, thoughtful, and charismatic individual. He was a fierce protector of his family and friends, and always made sure to tell people how much he loved them. He was the first to laminate a photo of you in the newspaper and leave it in your mailbox. He was a friendly face to all, so much so that his children often chastised him for talking to too many people after Sunday morning service at First

enjoyed him for talking to too many people after Sunday morning services at First Baptist Church of Morganton. He found lots of joy on the golf course and attending Panther's games with his son, going to concerts with his daughter, and grilling burgers and dancing in the kitchen on Saturday nights with his wife.

Marc is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Stacey Byrd Sholar, of nearly 30 years, as well as his two adoring children, Sarah Sholar Rickerman (Josh) and Ben Sholar, dear family friends, Keith and Karen Breedlove, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins whom he loved dearly. He is preceded in death by his mother, Peggy Y. Sholar, father, Edsel W. Sholar, and brother, Gregory Y. Sholar.

The family thanks Dr. Deborah Davis and Dr. Marty Gessner for their endless support during his sickness. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Marc's memory to First Baptist Church of Morganton or the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation.

A Celebration of Marc's Life will be held at 2pm, Friday, June 28, 2024, at First Baptist Church Morganton with the Rev. Dr. Thomas A. Bland Jr. officiating. The family will greet friends following the service.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Dearest Stacy, I am so saddened on reading the news of Marc' passing. I'm forever remembering such sweet, kind, thoughtful neighbors! I always was lifted in spirit when ever I saw yall and your family. Marc made such a positive impression on our community. Peace be with you. Frances

–Frances Hairfield

I am so sorry to hear of Marc's passing. Marc was a high school classmate and good friend. Marc was always friendly and kind. It is lovely to read about his life and family and I know he will be sorely missed. My condolences and blessings to Marc's family.

–Susan Barefoot Goodykoontz



–Kim



Prayers for the family in Jesus name. Marc was most certainly an upstanding gentleman. Only great memories of our time at St.Johns Lutheran in Asheboro back in the day. Blessings and peace!

—David Nolan

Stacey, Sarah, and Ben, Friday's celebration-of-life service was a lovely confirmation of everything that I have experienced over the last 17 years — and a resonant tribute to the remarkable, delightful, jocular, warm, sharp, and utterly decent force that is Marc Sholar. Leah and I are sending 1,000,000 hugs across the country right now. With love and admiration, Dan Snierson

—Dan Snierson

Stacey, Sarah, and Ben – My deepest condolences for your loss, and I pray that God will assuage your sorrow and bless you with peace knowing Marc touched so many people in such a positive way in his life. I consider myself fortunate to have known Marc and to have worked with him for many years in the furniture business. He was a man of faith, great love and commitment to family, and who conducted himself with honor and integrity – He did it right, and I will miss my friend.

—Ray Harding

I was shocked and saddened to hear of Marc's illness and passing. I met Marc many years ago in our hometown of Asheboro. We later renewed our friendship when he started representing Universal Furniture. Marc was a wonderful, caring person. To his family you are in my thoughts and prayers. Marc will be missed.

—Jo Blackwell

Hello Stacie, you probably don't remember me, my name is Rick Winningham, I was one of the workers on the bedroom/bathroom renovation a few months ago. When I heard the news about Marc this afternoon, I was in shock. The few times that I talked to him, he impressed me as a devoted family man and a good guy. Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss. He will be fondly remembered. Sincerely, Rick Winningham.

—Rick Winningham



I had the opportunity to work with Marc at two different companies over the last 20 years. Marc was a great guy, always quick with a smile or a compliment. He was always insightful and considerate and will be missed. He is gone far too early and I offer my condolences and prayers to his family. Neil MacKenzie

–Neil MacKenzie

Mrs. Sholar, Wanted you to know that I was fortunate to have known your husband in Universal Furniture Customer Service. Marc was always smiling when he'd stop by to pick up catalogs, fabric swatches, etc when collateral was supplied from High Point corporate office. Always stopping by to speak to each & everyone of us in customer service. Not about work. But, just to say hi with a grin. All his Customers valued Marc in all he did each week for them as dedicated salesperson. Respected by all. You & your children are in my prayers in time ahead. Deepest condolences, Carla Bond Universal Furniture Customer Service Dept.

–Carla Bond



I worked with Marc for 10 years and he was so sweet. My prayers for the Sholar family. Amanda Edwards

–Amanda Edwards

Stacey, I'm so sorry to learn of Marc's passing. He was always kind to me and always was very pleasant to see. If there's anything I can do, don't hesitate to let me know. Again, I am so sorry for you and your family's loss.

–James Hildebrand

I have known Marc through business only, however his true colors were very apparent from the sound of this beautiful tribute to him. Always with a smile, Marc couldn't do enough for you. Such a sweet, kind man, I am so saddened by

this news. My sincere condolences to your family and loved ones. You will be remembered and missed. RIP.

It sounds like Marc's adult life was much like he was in Middle School and High School. Fun loving, nice to everyone, and an all around great guy. I had the privilege of playing basketball with Marc growing up and have such fond memories. My prayers are with the family and his many friends.

–Randy Lee



I am praying that Marcs family receives comfort during this difficult time. I enjoyed knowing Marc and know he will be greatly missed.

–DAVID L LEONHARDT

My deepest condolences to the family ..I knew him mostly thru the furniture business , always a gentleman and just an all round nice guy .. I pray for peace for the family in the days to come .

–Debby Buff



Dear Stacey and Family, We are so sorry for your loss.
Praying for all of you!

–Sam, Debra & Kayla Rogerd

I am so very sorry about this. I will miss him so much. It has always been a pleasure to see him. I am so sorry for Stacey,

Sarah & Ben. They are in my thoughts and prayers. Rest in



–Hope Tucker

I've known Marc for over 30 years through the furniture industry. He always had a smile on his face and kind words. He will be missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

–Trisha Fox

Marc always called me the Smiling Credit Manager, but he was a person who brought that smile every time we talked. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. My prayers for your family for peace, comfort and a sense of God's presence during this time and those to come. I know he had a deep and abiding trust in the Lord. I look forward to seeing his smile again in the presence of the Lord.

–Bennie Corbett

Stacey and Family, Sending you loving thoughts of support during this time of devastating loss. Marc was a true southern gentleman, very kind, always helpful... He will be missed by all who knew him. I'm so, so sorry for your loss. Sally Simerson

–Sally Simerson



Marc always seemed to be a part of my life. When I was growing up he was good friends with my uncle Chris and was always over at my grandmother's house. We used to call him Chewy because he could sound like Chewbacca from Star Wars. When I went to HPU I saw him there several times as he was also earning his degree and we would always catch up. After college I started in the furniture industry where I also got to see him and catch up. The last place I saw him was at Tom's Place for breakfast one morning in High Point. He was always smiling and just a genuine great guy that will be missed by all that knew him. I always enjoyed our time. Thoughts and prayers to his family. Godspeed Marc!!

–Brandunn Rush



I've done a lot of reflecting these past two weeks, and I realize how good Mark was to me my entire life. We were always friends, but we reconnected back in 2008. Since then, we tailgated with Ben and my son Will at dozens of Panthers' games. I can see you right now, watching Andy Griffith with Pops and Greg while Mama York and Peg were cooking fresh vegetables out of the garden. The last day I saw you, we talked about those vegetables, and I bet they're even better in Heaven. I love you, brother. To Stacey, Sarah, Ben, and Josh, you all are in my prayers.

–Buddy

My deepest condolences to the family. Marc was a wonderful Christian Man. So full of Integrity!! Angie and I have you in our thoughts and prayers

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–Kevin Crawford

I had the pleasure of working with Mark at Tyson Furniture for many years. I will always remember his great personality, smile and good- looking attire. Sending lots of love and prayers to his family !

–Sarah Jarvis

My deepest sympathies to Marc's family during this difficult time. I enjoyed running into Marc at Furnitureland South. He always took the time to speak to me and ask me how my day was. Superb guy and so helpful and nice. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Courtney Plunkett

–Courtney Plunkett



Marc was a positive, friendly, kind, helpful person. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to his family, my G-- hold you in the shelter of his arms in your time of grief to comfort you in your loss. -Inga

–Inga



I just wanted to give my deepest condolences! I had the opportunity of knowing Marc from Furnitureland South. And He was so kind every time I spoke with him!

–Aliana Goodson



I met Marc at Furnitureland South. He was always a pleasure to speak with. There was never a time he would pass me with out asking about my family. He was a kind sincere soul. Sending love , prayers and condolences to you all! -Cindy Basel

—Cindy Basel



I had the opportunity to see Marc often at Furnitureland South. He always took a moment to speak to me and was always so kind. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kristen Finnan

Stacey, Sarah & Ben, We are shocked and heartbroken to hear of Marc's passing. Thinking of you and praying for peace for all of you.

—Greg and Sharon Clary

Marc was such a kind hearted man. He will be missed by all who met him.

—Chris McMillan



I graduated with Marc. But in the last few years I started caregiving for Brenda Pickel, who just so happens to live across the street from Marc's mother Peggy. I will always be grateful for the blessing given to me to meet Marc's mother, and later Marc's lovely wife. I considered it a blessing to get to know Marc better as in school we didn't know each that well. He was such a special human being. Please accept my sincere condolences. May the Peace the only God can provide surround every person Marc held dear to his heart. This is such a great loss for us all...

—Karen Callicutt Harvell

Marc was truly a kind, loving Soul! Always had a smile and a kind, positive word for you when we attended Asheboro High! So sorry for your loss , sending prayers!

prayers.

–Cathy Green Isley

I am so sorry for your loss and Marc, as you know was a great guy. I always enjoyed seeing him at accounts and talking the ups and downs of the industry.

He is now in a better place, but I know that this is very tough. I am sure he would want you all to keep smiling and many prayers to your family.

–Jon Essenberg



Dear Stacey, Sarah and Ben, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

–Libby Linker

–Rhonda Trollinger

I knew Marc when he was in high school. He was a friend of my daughter. Remember him having the best personality and I thought the world of him. He was always so nice to me.. He will be missed sorely. Prayers are going up for his family and friends. May God's peace be with them all. Annice McDowell

–Annice McDowell



I knew Marc when he was in high school... he was a friend of my daughter. He had a great personality and was a joy to be around. Always was so nice to me and I thought the world of him. He will be solely missed. My heart and prayers goes out to his family. May the peace of God be with them during this most difficult time. . Annice McDowell

–Annice McDowell



–Pam and Ken Stanley

Marc was a special person I did electrical work for him and Stacey back when I first started my business. I hadn't seen him in awhile but every now and then I would bump into him here and there. He always had a true smile and a kind word to say to me. Rest easy my friend!

–Greg Pitman

–Julius Bridgeforth

Stacey, Sarah, and Ben, we are sorry to hear of Marc's passing. Though we had not seen you all in many years, we have a lot of fun memories of being friends when we lived in Morganton. Marc is a fine man and I say is because he is more alive now than he ever was, resting in the arms of Jesus. I know you already miss him and the coming days will be hard. Live your lives as Marc did—for each other, for others, and mostly for God. You are in our prayers, Rick, Lisa, Addison, and Tucker Whitten

–Richard and Lisa Whitten

I don't often use this term for many people but Marc was a true complete Gentleman.

–John Parks

–Tom Jones (Tommy)

So sorry to hear of Marks Passing. He was the most absolute best salesman that I had the pleasure working with in my business. Mark was always so upbeat every time I saw him. Perfect gentleman! Again so sorry to hear the sad news.

Bob Caldwell

–Bob Caldwell

Great tribute to a fine man. Marc always carried a smile. Prayers for peace, comfort and healing to his loving family. Ricky Dean Lingerfelt

–Rick Lingerfelt



Marc was one of my favorites in the business. We have been in the business since the 90's together . You just could not find a better person. Praying for you Stacy , Sarah and Ben and please know he talked about you three all the time in the showroom and glowed when he did .

–Tonya Miller



The kindest and most soulful man you could meet. He always had a smile and a kind word. We are less for his passing. Love and Prayers to his family.

–Matt Robillard

I'm so sorry to hear this news. Marc was one of the kindest person I ever met. Always had a big smile on his face ready to greet you. I'm sending all the love and prayers to Stacy, Sarah, Josh and Ben. Such a beautiful family!

–Amy Price

Marc was a wonderful young man. My Mom thought the world of the family when

they lived beside her on Chestnut Street. Thank you for being a part of her life and mine. May God bless you all. He is in the arms of Jesus. Love, Jackie

–Jacquelyn Ward



My deepest sympathy to all his family and friends. I will miss you Marc!

–Scott Cole



To the family of Marc Sholar he was an awesome person to have as a friend and classmate. We had good times back in High School. The class of 83 is going to miss him dearly. Family stay strong and believe GOD only takes the best with him. Prayers for the family my friend. Rest easy Marc. Blue Comets forever.

–Jeffrey Harris

Our deepest condolences for the premature loss of a wonderful father, husband, and person.

–Adam James

May GOD bless and watch over this beautiful family. I cherished Marc's friendship and we will miss his presence. He was a fine example of how life is to be lived Ben&LIBBA

–Ben and Libba Belton



–Adam Blackwell

This is so sad and shocking to hear.to hear. I am so sorry for the family to lose such an upstanding person at such a young age. I will miss our talks and I valued our friendship. Prayers for the family.

–mark thedford



Robert and I are so saddened to learn of Marc's passing. We had just been talking about missing Marc and Stacey at church. Marc was very supportive and always willing to help in any way he could. Of course Stacey was always by his side. There will be a tremendous loss every time we gather for worship and look for Marc in the usual place he and Stacy sat. I always look at the congregation and try to see as many friendly faces as possible. I am happy Marc could share in the celebration for Sarah's wedding. Life, as we know it, is ever-changing. Our journeys have many turns and twists that can be overwhelming. We pray that God will help you as you continue with your journey. Please know all of you are in our hearts and prayers. Love, Robert and Becky Poteat

–rebecca poteat



Holding your family close in prayer. Marc was one of the great ones!



–Martha Graves and Joe Whatley

So sorry to the Sholar Family for your tragic loss. My prayers are with all of you.

–Jim Belote



–Will Singley

–Jona Harrell



Marc was a precious man, he always had a smile on his face. Our prayer for you, family, is that God will cover you with his love, comfort and healing. God bless you.

–Martha and Keith Watts

What a man and what a tribute to him through this obituary. But it will never be able to say all that Marc was. Prayers and love Stacey, Sarah and Josh and Ben.

–Cathy Rudicill