



## Jerome Frank Hug

November 1, 1954 - November 26, 2022

Jerome Frank “Jerry” Hug, 68, passed away on November 26 2022. Jerry was born in

Milwaukee WI on November 1 1954 to Jack and Clarice (Bongard) Hug. He attended Holy

Cross Parochial School there before moving to Rockford IL with his family. He graduated from

Rockford Guilford High School in 1972, excelling on the golf team. Jerry earned a Bachelor of

Science degree in Hotel Management at the University of Nevada - Las Vegas in 1976.

Jerry spent the next ten years in the hospitality field, with stints in managerial positions at a

variety of hotels in the Midwest and western United States. He also broadened his expertise in

wine sales, filling a management role at Las Vegas Distributing. In 1986, Jerry reoriented his

career interests to follow his father’s path in mechanical insulation. He gained experience at

both job site and back office tasks at McDemaids Roofing and Insulation Inc. in Rockford IL,

and was named a vice president there in 1990. Jerry was recognized for his talents in

recruiting and training by being named to the Wisconsin State Apprenticeship Board for the next four years. When presented with the opportunity to start his own insulation business, he relocated to Las Vegas NV and became owner/president of Las Vegas Insulation in 1994. The Rockford area again beckoned to Jerry in 1996, and he launched Northern Illinois Insulation Inc. for a successful run of 12 years. His company performed all phases of mechanical insulation for facilities owned by a variety of Fortune 500 companies. Jerry spent the last decade-plus of his life in the Fort Myers area. He returned to the hospitality industry, managing various establishments at Fort Myers Beach. Jerry was an automobile and motorcycle enthusiast, striving to get every detail right during restoration and maintenance efforts. His many friends on Fort Myers Beach will attest to Jerry's love for the good times there.

Jerry is survived by two brothers: John "Jack" Hug (Gail) of Kingston TN, and Joseph Hug of Rockford IL. He also is survived by his sister Janell Smock of Necedah WI. Jerry's cremated remains will be buried next to his mother in Milwaukee WI. Celebrations of Life will be held at various locations in the future. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jack Hug at [jhhug2@aol.com](mailto:jhhug2@aol.com). For those friends considering a memorial gift, Jerry expressed an interest in the support of St. Jude's Children's Hospital and any veteran's organization.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Jerome Frank Hug*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Jerome Frank Hug*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *We knew Jerry for many years. The beach and bikes were what he loved. So sorry to lose him, great biker, great guy! RIP Hug, you made it longer than you thought!*

**Jay Meyer** - December 07, 2022 at 05:54 PM



*Yes he did love his bikes, cars, and the beach Jay! Thank you for your thoughts*💕

**Janell Smock** - December 08, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerome Frank Hug.*



December 07, 2022 at 09:11 AM



“ *Sending condolences to his siblings, Jack, Janell and Joe.*



Ann Walker - December 06, 2022 at 08:52 PM

JS

*Thank you Ann*💕

Janell Smock - December 07, 2022 at 03:52 PM

EG

*Good to have you as a friend Jerry* 🙏👩🏻❤️🙏 *Hope there was a beer and a glass of ice waiting for you on the other side.* 🍺 *You will be missed RIP.* ☐ *Love and Peace to you.* *Your Friends Eileen and Poco* 🍷🍺

Eileen Gelles - December 09, 2022 at 09:23 AM

JS

*I'm sure there was that waiting for him Eileen. Thank you for all your help and friendship you gave him! Hope to meet you and Poco in the near future. Jack said you've been very helpful. Glad to know he had good friends*❤️😊

Janell Smock - December 13, 2022 at 08:05 AM

KP

“ *My deepest condolences. I loved Jerry. He was my neighbor on FMB and I was very fond of him. He came by my bar a couple months ago. I had no idea, he passed. My heart is broken for his family. He will be deeply missed and will always remain in my heart*



Kimber Phillips - December 06, 2022 at 07:30 PM

JS

*Thank you so much for the kind words*

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**Janell Smock** - December 07, 2022 at 03:49 PM

JS

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**Janell Smock** - December 07, 2022 at 03:53 PM

LB

“ *Last time I saw Jerry he stopped at the house about 2 years ago, great guy big heart. Will miss him for sure. RIP Jerry.*

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**Leon N Breunig** - December 06, 2022 at 02:40 PM

JS

*Thank you Uncle Leon* ❤️

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**Janell Smock** - December 06, 2022 at 07:05 PM

SS

“ *Jerry Hug "The Honorary Mayor of Ft. Myers Beach" will truly be missed by all...he was a generous, self-made, fun-loving guy who truly enjoyed quality time & conversations with old & new friends wherever he went....if you needed a favor, wanted to talk about cars or just grab a beer & a laugh, you called "Huggy"....Rest in Peace my friend....*

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**Steve Shortino** - December 06, 2022 at 02:13 PM

JS

*Well said Steve! He was blessed with many good friends* 😊

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**Janell Smock** - December 06, 2022 at 07:04 PM

JC

“ *Judy Coleman lit a candle in memory of Jerome Hug*



Judy Coleman - December 06, 2022 at 11:17 AM

JS

*Thank you Judy 🥹*

Janell Smock - December 07, 2022 at 06:19 PM

JC

“ *Jerry will be missed by everyone who new him. He was a good person with a big heart. RIP Jerry 💔💔💔*

Judy Coleman - December 06, 2022 at 11:12 AM

JS

*Thank you Judy! He had many good friends and I am lucky that he shared many of them with me, including you ❤️*

Janell Smock - December 06, 2022 at 07:07 PM

JH

“ *Jerry was a good person and will be missed by a lot of people. Rest in peace Jerry.*

Josh Halley - December 01, 2022 at 01:19 PM

JS

*Thank you Josh*

Janell Smock - December 06, 2022 at 06:39 PM