



Glenn A. Beckert

October 12, 1940 - April 12, 2020

GLENN A. BECKERT, 79, of Englewood, Florida passed away on Sunday, April 12, 2020. He was born on October 12, 1940 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Alfred and Grace Geyer Beckert.

A graduate of Allegheny College in Meadville he received a bachelor's degree in Political Science. After graduation, he was drafted by the Boston Red Sox in 1962. Traded to the Chicago Cubs in 1965 where he spent nine seasons as second baseman; he was a four time all star for the Cubs and received a golden glove for his defensive work in 1968. He finished his baseball career playing for the San Diego Padres.

Prior to his retirement he was a commodities broker for the Chicago Board of Trade and relocated to Englewood, Florida, where he lived until his passing. A loving husband and father, he was an avid golfer. He was pre-deceased by his wife Mary Eileen Beckert in 2010.

Survivors include two daughters: Tracy (Jeff) Seaman and Dana (Bill) Starck; companion: Mary Bruce Standley; sister: Carole Lancaster; five grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date in Pittsburgh.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chicago Cubs Charities, Wrigley Field, 1060 West Addison, Chicago, Illinois 60613 or cubs.com in memory of Glenn Beckert.

Englewood Community Funeral Home with Private Crematory has been selected to handle arrangements. You may share a memory with the family at www.Englewoodfh.com

Comments



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Christine Schultz - May 13 at 08:02 PM



“ I will always be grateful for the time Glenn spent in Chicago as #18 and star second baseman for the Cubs. He was an integral part of the team, but Glenn Beckert was so much more. He was a role model of drive, dedication, and desire. In a sport where power hitters achieve great glory, he chose instead, to perfect the art of moving the runner along in any way he could to maximize a winning outcome. Glenn was a student of baseball who analyzed his role both at the plate and on the field. He was an All-Star, a Golden Glove Award recipient, a respected clutch hitter and a notoriously hard man to strike out. As many sportscasters have mentioned, he was a "Class Act"! I can attest to that as he graciously stopped to talk with his fans, pose for a picture or accommodated a request for an autograph. The game of baseball was better for his playing. I am a better person having the opportunity to watch him play. Thank you for many cherished memories, Glenn!

Christine Schultz - May 11 at 10:49 PM



“ Cub fan for 60 years--My all-time favorite Cub.

Richard Trah - April 19 at 12:10 AM



“ Glenn Beckert Family: So sorry to hear of your fathers passing. I really enjoyed watching him play. He is and was a talented athlete. Way back in the 1970's, I worked at a place called Spinnaker Cove. My company installed concrete foundations. Your father allowed me to use the family sailboat. I was able to use it whenever I wanted. Your Dad's only rule was that I would teach his daughters to sail! I'm not sure if I was such a good teacher. But I tried. I trust I helped a little. Anyway, I appreciated the sailing time! Our family, is thinking of you and Mary Bruce at this time. Sincerely, Scott A.M. Sams and Family. scotydsntknw@yahoo.com

Scott A.M.Sams - April 16 at 03:44 PM



“ I have such fond memories of watching Glenn play for the Cubs and then many years later, as a long time Cubs employee myself, sharing so many fun times with he, Mary Bruce and his former Cubs teammate family at the Annual Cubs Convention.
My sincere condolences to Mary Bruce and his family. I hope your memories can be of some comfort to you at this difficult time.

Peach Donnan

Peach Donnan - April 16 at 01:22 PM



“ We were never cub fans but we were Glenn fans. He could always find something to be happy about. Our condolences to his family and Mary Bruce on his passing.

Bernie and Kathy Varska

Bernie & Kathy Varska - April 16 at 11:49 AM



“ My dad who passed away in 1988 was a huge Cubs fan and Glenn Beckert's name was commonly heard in our home. He brought great joy to my dad and for that I say thank you. So sorry for your loss

Judy McDonald - April 16 at 08:27 AM



“ Glenn’s Mom, Grace, was my cousin (Geyer). I remember Glenn as just starting out in professional baseball. Nice person. I am so sorry to learn of his passing.
Linda Geyer Christenson

Linda Christenson - April 13 at 06:48 PM