



Dr. Matthew Gall

July 9, 1970 - November 28, 2019

Matthew Taylor Gall, M.D., 49, devoted husband, father, son, brother, colleague, "fun guy," and dear friend, died on November 28, 2019. Matthew was born on July 9, 1970, in Beaver Dam, WI, to parents Bruce and Elaine Gall.

He is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, Betsy Gall, his wonderful children Grady, Gavin and Sophie, his parents Bruce and Elaine Gall, his brother Christian (Diane) and Andrew Gall, his in-laws Michael and Gail Lewis, Ryan (Kristin), Caden and Greyson Lewis, Bo (Melissa) Emmy Lou and TJ Lewis, and an abundance of friends and patients.

Matthew was a successful and caring physician for 16 years at Minnesota Oncology. He dedicated his life to his patients and treating their cancer. He felt honored to help those in need. He loved each and every one of his patients.

Matthew possessed a remarkable joie de vivre, the joy for life. He was a considerate man who loved his family deeply and was a fiercely loyal friend to many. He loved celebrating holidays with his family and enjoyed live music. He loved God. He was a patriot who deeply loved America. He had an unbridled enthusiasm for his Pittsburgh Steelers and Wisconsin Badgers. He loved playing rugby, perfecting his grilling skills, mountain biking, spending time at his beloved cabin and traveling the world while always managing to maintain the perfect lawn. Matthew had a knack for setting the perfect mood with music. He was happiest when he was spending time with friends, family and his dog, Liberty. He made every room brighter with his spirit and joie de vivre, joy for life, and will be forever missed.

A celebration service will be held for Matthew on Thursday, December 12, at Colonial Church of Edina, 6200 Colonial Way, Edina MN at 11:30 a.m.

Memorials preferred to Angel Foundation, UW Men's Rugby Club or Lone Survivor Organization.

James Funeral Home is serving the family.

Comments



“ To the family of Dr. Gall,
I just found out today about Dr. Gall. He was my doctor for over 12 years. I was diagnosed with stage III breast cancer in 2006. I was so upset I when I learned he moved to North Carolina, which was selfish on my part. But, I was happy for him as well. I am beyond saddened to hear of his passing. He was such a caring and kind man. Always had a smile on his face. He continued to see me every year even after I passed the 10 year mark. It was comforting to me. I will keep him and all of you in my prayers.
Jill Gaffney

Jill Gaffney - January 22 at 04:56 PM



“ What a friend Matt was to me. Not only my neighbor but one of the best friends in High School one could ever ask for. To this day I still tell others the story of how my mom was diagnosed with cancer when we were in high school and Matt assured me he was going to be a cancer doctor and cure my mom and so many others. I have lost you both and I grieve for you and your family members . Those conversations will never be forgotten as I know his passion even in childhood was to help everyone that was unwell and make a difference.

I will miss his yearly calls to me on my birthday, and the friendship we had, you were truly a one of a kind! I will miss you forever

Sherri Benrud

sherri marzario - December 21, 2019 at 12:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Gall.



December 11, 2019 at 12:06 PM



“ Dr Gall saved the life of my Dad. Two years later, he saved my life. Words can not adequately describe my gratitude and grief.



“ Matt is so alive in my mind's eye that this is hard to write. Matt lived his life with passion and enthusiasm. All of my memories of Matt include that passion. I first met him when he was the Ultimate Warrior for Halloween in Madison. After college, when we grew up and matured, Matt kept his college friends close. He knew children's names and asked about them personally, remembering their interests. He was sincere.
Betsy, I am heartbroken for you and Grady, Gavin and Sophie. I am praying for you. May you feel surrounded by love, now and always.

Kira McGinnity - December 05, 2019 at 03:59 PM



“ Betsy, Grady, Gavin and Sophie

Matt helped make our medical school class some of the best years of my life. It is abundantly clear from all the posts that he continued to put smiles on his patients' faces just like he did with us.

Last night I dedicated a holiday party speech to him. He truly helped make the world a better place.

Please know that he is deeply missed.

Love,
Dr Jack Watson
Santa Cruz, California

Jack Watson - December 08, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ Our condolences, thoughts and prayers go out to you Betsy and the entire family. We will always remember Matt for his warmth, infectious enthusiasm, kindness, positivity and laughter. God Bless you all during this difficult time.
All our love,
Sara and Matt McLenighan

Sara McLenighan - December 05, 2019 at 03:47 PM



“ My heart goes out to Betsy, Grady, Gavin, and Sophie. I had the privilege of working with Dr. Gall at Fairview Ridges Hospital. He was an amazing clinician who had a passion for doing our absolute best for our patients. He was a leader in title, Chief of Staff, and in how he challenged us to continually improve. He impacted so many patient's lives, I will never forget him. I thank our Lord for blessing us with Matt's so many gifts!

Pat Belland

Pat Belland - December 05, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ Just met Dr Gall the one time and found him to be very pleasant and professional. A real encouragement! Was sorry to hear of his passing! God bless this family

Carol Porter - December 05, 2019 at 01:59 PM



“ My condolences go out to the family. Matt is my cousin and from the time we were young we have always been fond of each other. We would play doctor when we were little and he would tell me he was going to be a doc someday! And what a wonderful one he was! Matt you will be greatly missed! I love your smile your laugh and your personality! I will miss texting you while watching the March Madness games and you rooting for my ZAGS and me for your BADGERS! I pray that you are walking the streets of gold with our Jesus! Xoxoxoxoxo



Keri Barrie - December 05, 2019 at 01:13 AM



“ UW Rugby Club purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dr. Matthew Gall.



UW Rugby Club - December 04, 2019 at 07:19 PM



“ I worked as Dr. Gall's medical scribe before leaving for medical school last year. He served both as a boss and then mentor to me. His zest for life as well as his gregarious nature were apparent each and every day. It seems as though we never had any shortage of things to laugh about. I am a better person from having known him. My thoughts and prayers to his family.



Ben Pioske - December 04, 2019 at 05:36 PM



“ Ben, He thought the world of you and was so proud of you.

Becky Brown - December 05, 2019 at 11:44 AM



“ Everytime I eat cake, I will think of Matt DJ-ing whatever song is playing. Here's one simple memory I cherish about him. Each year at lower school, Matt and Betsy were the volunteers for the cake walk. Betsy was great at greeting and assisting those in line while Matt was diligently working to select the next perfect song to play during the cake walk. Since most of us enjoy music, you can easily appreciate the joy shown on Matt's face when he found the perfect next jam. For a few years in a row, he was DJ, which became one of the "fun" things at the "Fun Fair" we looked forward to when bringing our kids. So, buy some cake, crank up a good song, and enjoy one of your great memories with Matt. Love to all of you!

Andy - December 04, 2019 at 12:14 PM



“ I only knew Matt for a brief period of time while he was in Med School, but every time I was with him he was a bright light and made everyone around him feel special. His passion for life and people was evident from the moment he started to talk to you. I feel very lucky to have known him even if it was for a brief time. My condolences to the family.

Bill from Madison

Bill - December 04, 2019 at 11:30 AM

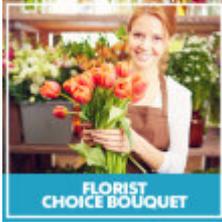


“ I met Dr. Gall 9 years ago. I had cancer. Dr. Gall and God saved my life. Dr. Gall was my oncologist for 9 years treating my cancer twice. He gave me HOPE. A little word that means so much. He signed my positive medical reports with smiley faces. I looked forward to this small gesture. It meant the world to me! Dr. Gall was my angel on earth, working God's miracles. Now he is a heavenly angel. I will be forever be grateful.

Dawn Johnson - December 03, 2019 at 09:11 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Matthew Gall.



December 02, 2019 at 11:57 PM



“ Matthew was a friend to me from the time we met as specialists rounding at Fairview Ridges hospital, and he quickly became my favorite referral for my Oncology patients because he was so smart, so kind, and so devoted to his patients. He was the best Oncologist I've ever known and one of my favorite professional colleagues. I was sad when he left Minnesota. Just today, before I learned of his passing, two patients at two different appointments in my office spoke with me about how much we missed his presence here. I am shocked and saddened and my heart goes out to his family and friends, his former partners here, and all who knew him. Please accept my condolences.

Kathy R. GromerMD, Minnesota Lung Center, Minneapolis/Burnsville, MN.

Kathy Gromer MD - December 02, 2019 at 04:44 PM



“ Matt has been like a brother to me from the time we were boys. My heart is heavy.



Dan Chellew - December 01, 2019 at 01:15 PM



“ I am blessed to have called Matt a friend. I will always remember him as being passionate with everything he did, whether it be playing rugby, practicing medicine or being a husband and father. Passionate. Inspiring. Missed. My heart goes out to Betsy, Grady, Gavin and Sophie. We love you.



Nelsen Wahlstrom - December 01, 2019 at 12:25 AM



“ Matt was a great friend and tremendous influence. From freshman year at Madison in 1988 when we met until last fall when we met in Madison for a Badger game- he was a solid man and true friend. To know Matt was to be part of his whole circle. God's Love and Blessings to Betsy, Grady, Gavin, and Sophie, and the entire Gall family. Matt will be sadly missed by so many.



Mike McGinnity - November 30, 2019 at 05:55 PM



“ Dr. Gall would always come to my office for a little afternoon snack, I always made sure I had salted nut rolls for him. His face always lit up when he talked about Betsy and the kids. I will cherish those memories forever. Dr. Gall you will be missed forever. Rest In Peace.

Becky Brown - November 30, 2019 at 03:57 PM



“ If you went to Beaver Dam High School in the late 80's, then you had a Great friend named Matt Gall. He would make a room come alive and loved to laugh; while including everyone to join in the fun. As life has moved by, so did the frequency of contact. The memories though live on and are as vibrant as his personality. Be in peace my friend, I loved our friendship.

Scott Bolstad - November 30, 2019 at 03:24 PM



“ My childhood is filled with memories of Matt...his energy was contagious and his love of family and friends was everything. Matt Gall was a special person, and will forever hold a very special place in my heart. Sincerest condolences to the Gall family.



“ Matt was an inspiration to me at an early age, his mind was sharp, his laughter contagious and energy playful. I will remember this always, rest is peace my friend.

David Scheel - November 30, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ Big Wheel races, playing in the back yard, GI-Joe, 6 Million Dollar Man, WWF and sleep overs were what we shared together, which doesn't seem that long ago. You certainly made this world a better place. May Peace be with everyone who's Matt's life has touched. He will be missed.



David Nelson - November 30, 2019 at 08:23 AM



“ We grew up in the same neighborhood and our families go way back. Matt was an amazing friend to everyone. A go getter with a contagious personality! Everyone felt comfortable and welcome around him. He will be missed. Heartfelt sympathies to his family.

wendy meier - November 30, 2019 at 08:48 PM



“ I got my first kite stuck in a tree with Matt. He ran away so I'd have to take the blame!! He was the first boy I went to a movie alone with in 7th grade. We hung out in Madison and Chicago. The Gallster was my friend and I'm heartbroken.

Jodi Franzen - December 01, 2019 at 07:33 PM