



## Dennis E. Ziomek

July 26, 1978 - February 6, 2008

ZIOMEK, DENNIS February 6, 2008. Age 29 of East Lansing, formerly of Sterling Heights. Beloved son of Carol Ziomek and the late Edward Ziomek. In state Tuesday 9:00 a.m. at St. Rene Goupil Catholic Church, 35955 Ryan Rd., Sterling Heights. until time of Mass at 9:30 a.m. Visitation Sunday & Monday 2-9 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. 3 blks E. of Van Dyke Utica. Rosary Monday 7 p.m. Memorials suggested to the Am. Diabetes Association. Share a memory with the family at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Tribute Wall

NP

“ My sincere condolences to all of Dennis' friends and family. I met Dennis at Macomb when I tutored there. When I moved up to Lansing to go to MSU, I would come down on weekends to talk and hang out with Dennis. We loved going to National Coney Island. He tried teaching me chess, and I think he used to let me win! When he wanted to go to MSU, I helped him fill out his application. Dennis was so friendly and nice. He used to tell me he had no friends, but looking at the outpouring of messages, I think he may not have realized how many people he actually touched. I will truly miss his sense of adventure, his compassion, and his optimistic outlook on life.

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**Nicole Pawloski** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ The library, at Macomb Community College, was also a second home to Dennis. I think his love of libraries says something about the type of person he was. He also shared his math abilities by tutoring other students in the Learning Center at Macomb. Hot peppers were a favorite delicacy of his. We still have some of his instant oatmeal packets in the library supply cabinet. He liked to keep 2 gallons of milk in the staff refrigerator, one chocolate and one white. Often there wasn't room for other people's lunches. But he was always generous in sharing with others. -- Steve Rybicki, Reference Librarian, Macomb Community College

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**Steve Rybicki** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I'll always remember Dennis's passion for weather forecasting. We could always rely on him for the latest weather report. He was particularly good at tracking hurricanes during their season. I remember how proud and excited he was when he won the chance to broadcast the weather report on a local radio station. He loved music, and was always generous about sharing a CD. He'd make it a point of letting me borrow one of his CD's if he knew I liked the music. He was an angel of a guy, and I will miss him.

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**Steve Rybicki** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Carol its Robert from Clinton Aire. I am very sorry for your loss.I didnt know your son but from what I can tell he was a great guy.Again I am very sorry.Robert

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**Robert Van Hevel** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I'll always remember Dennis as someone wanting to share his knowledge of mathmatics and science so that others could benefit; and although I believe Dennis' mature demeanor was that of someone beyond his years at times, his soul was youthful, soaking up every bit of information as one possibly could and ready to put it to very good use. Dennis was a beautiful person and will be sorely missed. MCC learning center attendee

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**Mary Ann Pope** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ My heart-felt condolences to Mrs. Ziomek and all Dennis' friends. Dennis proved himself a kind-hearted friend to many at the Macomb Community College where he tutored. He was a friend of my son's and I met him once. He was very polite, but more than that, he was held in high esteem by those who were his companions. Oh the scientific things you'll get to discover in heaven, Dennis!

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**Julie Huff** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ We are so sad to hear about your loss. Dennis was a daily visitor to the Copy Center in the Main Library. It seems so strange not to see him using the computers near by. He was always very polite, cheerful, and willing to share a smile. Please know that we will miss him! Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Christine Tobias and the staff at the Copy Center - MSU Main Library

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**Christine Tobias** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have had a bunch of classes with Denis this semester and I always looked forward to what he had to say. One of my favorite memories is when he brought in the tornado chamber and showed the whole class. I thought it was the coolest thing because I had never seen one before. Dennis will be missed and him and his family are in my prayers. ~Abigail

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**Abigail Istvan** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Im sorry for your loss, I knew Denis only briefly but he was very sweet to me. I will miss him.

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**Nicole Bower** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ Dear Mrs. Ziomek, I want you to know that the faculty and students of the Department of Geological Sciences here at MSU are thinking about you during this trying time. Dennis had made a great impression on everyone here and there has been a real outpouring of feeling as the news of his passing circulated across campus. Our loss can never match yours, but we will miss him greatly! Ralph E. Taggart Professor and Chair Geological Sciences Michigan State University

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**Ralph E. Taggart** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathies upon the death of Dennis Ziomek. I work in the MSU Libraries: every big library like ours has its "regulars", the people we see every day, often at the same table or computer because that is their favorite spot for study. Dennis Ziomek was one of our regulars on the Second Floor, West Wing: it was a rare day in which I did not see him at work. I kidded him about a few weeks ago: I said it was like the old sit-com "Cheers" in which each character had their seat. We will miss seeing him in front of that PC. I am truly sorry for your loss. Steven Sowards Assistant Director for Collections Michigan State University Libraries

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**Steven Sowards** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ The world was a greater place because of Dennis and was robbed to have lost him so early in life. I miss him and know I will continue to do so, but each day there are reminders of him, so I know he will always live on in memory. I still feel like he might call me, any moment now, and say "don't worry, it was all one giant misunderstanding." However, whenever I look at my phone disappointment overcomes me because it's never his voice on the other line. My condolences go out to his family. I hope they know that he had a good group of friends at Michigan State and we loved hearing his stories of storm chasing and playing games and watching movies with him every week. Dennis, to me, was the best friend one could ask for and I know he is having a blast in Heaven getting to watch storms on the other side for a change.

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**Heather Stewart** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM