



## John "Jack" Anthony Drexler

October 17, 1945 - October 21, 2021

JOHN A. (JACK) DREXLER, JR.

Jack Drexler passed away on October 21, after a brief illness.

He was born in Pittsburg on October 17, 1945. He earned a Bachelors degree and Masters degree from Wayne State University. He received his doctorate in organizational psychology from the University of Michigan in 1975.

Jack moved to the Seattle area in 1975 to become a Research Scientist at the Battelle Human Affairs Research Centers. He also taught at the University of Washington from 1979 until 1983.

He relocated to Corvallis in 1983 to accept the position of Associate Professor of Management at Oregon State University, College of Business to pursue his dream of teaching. Jack Drexler was an Associate Professor in the College of Business at Oregon State University with over 25 years of teaching experience in the areas of leadership, team building and organization change. He was loved by his students and won numerous teaching awards. He published numerous articles and actively consulted with major companies.

He assumed the position of Associate Dean in the College of Business in 2008 until his retirement in 2014 as Associate Professor Emeritus.

Jack was an avid OSU fan, closely following football, men's and women's basketball and baseball and softball. He regularly attended as many OSU games as possible.

Jack's parents, Mary and John Sr., proceeded Jack is passing. He is survived by his sister Barbara who lives in Pittsburg and many friends, former students and professional colleagues.

Jack will be laid to rest in Pittsburg. Jack was very generous with his expertise and trying to help non-profits through funding. Memorial contributions may be made to either of two of his favorites, the local food bank or Corvallis-Benton County public library.

Farnstrom Mortuary is caring for the family.

# Comments

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“ Jack was such a funny character to be around - often appearing ultra-serious as a disguise for his huge reservoir of talent and empathy. We taught the same classes at the UW and loved to exchange 'war' stories from classroom experiences - mostly positive about amazing students we experienced. Getting Jack to tell stories, play the piano, or reflect on a consulting project undertaken was entertaining and insightful. He was such a loving guy underneath his shy exterior. Brilliant teacher and amazing friend.

**Jim Clark** - December 16, 2021 at 10:32 PM

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“ What a beautiful tribute to Jack! We pray his legacy of being a kind caring man who generously gave of his time and shared his intelligence and wisdom with others will always be remembered by those who were his friends and those who loved and cared for him. God Bless Jack.  
Deb & Larry

**Deb** - November 11, 2021 at 10:09 PM

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“ Jack will always be one of my best friends. Our work and friendship led us to travel together to many places in the U.S. and also Europe. Some trips included camping, canoeing, and backpacking, but others were to cities and hotel living. Jack liked all of those diverse experiences. I think he was a good man who cared a lot about other people. The world was a better place because he was in it, and we all will miss him.  
Terry Beehr

**Terry Beehr** - November 07, 2021 at 11:39 AM

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“ Jack was buried this morning next to our mother. This has been the most difficult thing I have ever done in my life.

**Barbara Drexler** - November 05, 2021 at 01:32 PM

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“ Jack was a great person and brother. I already miss him so much. As we were separated by miles our friendship and love for each other only grew more as we grew older. I love him and miss him. Jack,, you are always in my heart and prayers!!



**Barbara Drexler** - November 02, 2021 at 07:20 AM



“ Thanks for posting this great photo Barb. We too miss Jack. Jane Siebler

**Jane Siebler** - November 04, 2021 at 01:03 PM



“ I met Jack at Michigan in 1974 and stayed friends with him all the rest of his life. I was always glad to see him. We got together once or twice a year in Ann Arbor or at professional meetings. We often talked about Pittsburgh since I live in Pittsburgh. I will miss him and am sorry I was not able to attend the funeral.

**Mark Fichman** - November 07, 2021 at 11:24 AM