



## Narven William Osteen

June 27, 1985 - July 5, 2020

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Narven William Osteen on Sunday, July 5, 2020 at the age of 35. He was a native of Libby, MT and a resident of Kenner, LA.

Narven was born on June 27, 1985 to Narven Osteen and Nola Bjordahl in Libby, Montana where he lived until he left for college at Montana Tech, in Butte, Montana. While there, Narven studied Environmental engineering, completing his degree in 2007. Growing up in Montana Narven enjoyed raising chickens and growing a garden with his father. Hobbies he had hoped to pass on to his daughter.

After college, Narven began his career with Schlumberger Oil Field services. He was transferred to the New Orleans lab, and while living in New Orleans met his wife, Amanda (Fitch) Osteen. The two moved to Montana together in 2009, and while living there Narven spent a short time working overseas for Schlumberger in Equatorial Guinea, Turkey, and Romania. The two enjoyed biking, hiking and camping during his weeks home.

Narven and Amanda were married June 25, 2011 on the beach in Oscoda, Michigan while he was home from his overseas work. Shortly after, he relocated back to New Orleans to continue working in the New Orleans Lab. In 2013, Narven welcomed the birth of his daughter, Evelyn. Evelyn quickly became the center of Narven's universe. He enjoyed playing board games most recently teaching Evelyn to play Chess, the two also loved riding bikes, walking their dog Aspen and playing in the back yard. Narven was truly

Evelyn's Super Dad. He was truly gentle and loving with both Amanda and Evelyn every day, in every way.

In 2018, Narven had re-discovered a past passion by joining a bowling league where he bowled every Saturday evening until the league was paused due to the restrictions and mandates brought on by the Corona Virus. Narven found laughter and comradery in the two years with his league mates.

Narven was, hands down, the best husband and father anyone could ask for. He had a heart of gold, a kind and giving spirit, and an unflappable personality.

Anyone who knew Narven knew that he was truly special. Narven will be missed by all he leaves behind. His life ended far too soon, and the hole he leaves behind will forever be felt.

Narven is survived by his wife, Amanda Osteen and daughter, Evelyn Osteen of Kenner; Mother, Nola (Frazey) Bjordahl of Yuma, AZ; Brother, Mark (Leslie) Osteen of Baltimore, MD; Sisters, Nancy (Hib) Matter of Libby, MT, and Alexandria Osteen Thatcher, AZ; Mother-in-law, Peggy English of Oscoda, MI; Father-in-law, John Fitch of Perry, GA; and Brother-in-law, Mathew Fitch, of Bucyrus, OH. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins across the United States.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner on Saturday, July 11, 2020 from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. followed by a Memorial Service at 4:00 p.m.

In keeping with President Cynthia Lee Sheng's Executive Order, you are required to wear a mask to enter this facility. If you are unable to attend, please share memories, photos or condolences at [www.muhleisen.com](http://www.muhleisen.com)

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the memorial fund for his daughter's future educational expenses.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 11. 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home  
2607 Williams Boulevard  
Kenner, LA 70062

## Memorial Service

JUL 11. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Kenner, LA 70062

# Tribute Wall



“ *Narven William Osteen*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *I remember Narven when he was one of my students at Montana Tech. I am sorry. My sincere condolences go out to his family and friends.*

*Holly Peterson - Butte, MT*

Holly Peterson - January 21, 2021 at 08:30 PM



“ *It's with great sympathy for Narven and his family that I write this. While the relationship Narven and I shared was largely a work related one, we spoke quite frequently and the topic of family always arose - Amanda and Evelyn, he was so very proud of you! The man liked to chat, so once you were on the phone, you might as well hunker down for awhile!! I'm honored to have known you and called you a friend - RIP Narven.*



Greg Mozill - July 20, 2020 at 05:09 PM



*I am so sorry to hear of Narvem's passing. I know he will truly be missed. He was always so proud of his family, and so happy. We only met in person once, but we talked on the phone a lot! He was so happy when he spoke of his family. The pictures in Facebook always have him smiling, because he is always with his family. He was taken to soon, but I will remember you fondly. Rest in Peace my friend.*

jeff Long - July 20, 2020 at 07:59 PM

KS

“ Amanda,  
So sorry to hear of your loss from the Western News in Libby,  
Montana. Praying for you and your daughter. Hoping that you are  
surrounded by friends and family!

*Kathleen Sheffield (from your days at the school.)*

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**Kathleen Sheffield** - July 14, 2020 at 06:16 PM

SC

“ I'm a member of the Good Timers Bowling League. Hearing of this  
news was shattering. Being a part of this league gives you a chance  
to be a part of a welcoming and family friendly environment. Narven  
surely added to it with his kind spirit. Im a member that would try  
and reach out to every member as much as i could with a hug.  
When i would walk up and give a hug to Narven, ! could truly tell  
that he had a gentle spirit. If he was close enough to my lane, I  
would watch him bowl all the time. He had a nice form. He would  
kinda hit the side of his leg after he bowled, if he didn't get a strike.  
He bowled with a pretty good team. He wanted to show up for them.  
We will miss Narven.  
*The Big Ballers Team*

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**Sabrina Carter** - July 14, 2020 at 03:05 PM

NP

“ My favorite memory of Narven was seeing him with Evelyn outside  
on the street or at the neighborhood park. Condolences to his  
friends and family. *Nancy Powell*

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**Nancy Powell** - July 11, 2020 at 02:18 PM

ES

“ My family loves spending time with narven, Amanda and Evelyn. I was so happy that my beautiful cousin was able to find such a genuine man to spend her life with. He was a great dad to Evie. Can't believe you're gone. Eli is so heart broken that he lost such a good friend. Summers in oscoda will never be the same 🥹

emily seal - July 10, 2020 at 08:17 PM

DW

“ Davida Winn lit a candle in memory of Narven William Osteen



Davida Winn - July 10, 2020 at 06:05 PM

DW

We will miss Narven... He was a good friend to all who was fortunate enough to meet him or have him as a friend. I pray that God has excepted him into His kingdom. We may question a lot of thing however we know God does not make mistakes. To the family try to find comfort in one another and never stop counting your blessings. You have an ANGEL watching over you now. Try to find PEACE in what Narven has left behind. 🙏 Amen!

Davida Winn - July 10, 2020 at 06:18 PM

EA

“ I will never forget meeting Narven- we were part of a work group sent to San Antonio to see a bunch of land cement jobs before training school. It was a pretty awful week (it was about 100F, we slept in trucks at different wellsites the whole time, one site had a roach problem, and nobody got a hot meal or a shower), but Narven was the only one that managed to stay positive and keep a sense of humor the entire time. Because of him, I can look back at that experience fondly. Plus, I aced training school because he had the foresight to bring flash cards along, and he quizzed us for all of the 7hr drives to San Antonio and back. He kept this consistent attitude through the few years I had the privilege of working with him. Even when I needed a ridiculous request from the lab in the middle of the night, he was always upbeat and helpful (and crazy smart- he seemed to know everything about cement and taught me a lot). He will definitely be missed. My thoughts and prayers go to his family, may God give you strength.

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**Emilia Amalfitano** - July 10, 2020 at 05:55 PM

RT

“ Wow...I still can't believe this is real. Having had the honor of working with Narven for the last several years, so many memories come to mind. We definitely had some fun times even though we were at work. I could always count on him for a good laugh or a much needed dose of reality. He was a great co-worker and even better friend. I will definitely miss him.

Amanda and Evelyn, I'm sure you both know how much he loved you. He never went a day here without mentioning something about you two. He just told me last week how much he enjoyed the extra time he was spending with Evelyn this summer. I am praying that y'all can find peace and comfort in all of the memories y'all have with him. He was definitely one-of-a-kind...RIP Narven

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**Richelle Taranto** - July 10, 2020 at 04:27 PM

ED

“ I had the pleasure to work with Narven in the Lab at Schlumberger NOLA. I remember, how at awe he was with the city and it's demographics. Once openly explaining to me that where he was from, they didn't have folks as colorful as me in Montana. We quickly became cool, he would tell me stories of his (old) dad and his (young) mom and growing up in Montana. Narven had a great spirit and you can tell that someone loved and nurtured it. He was smart and very open minded and always greeted you with a smile. One night we talked him into coming out with us and we all had a blast that night earning him the nickname of Captain Morgan! I send my condolences and prayers to his family. I believe that the greatest gift the Most High gave to this world is Love! Love is eternal never ending! What a gift! Hold on to it!

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Erica Dejan - July 09, 2020 at 09:21 PM

RG

“ I had the opportunity to work with Narven for a few years and I can confirm that his love for Sam's over Costco is true. His personal snack drawer was regularly raided by many of us coworkers, yet he continued to refill the drawer without a word, surely knowing that his snacks were getting snagged!

That's the kind of person Narven was. He didn't have a mean bone in his body. His devotion and pride for Amanda and Evelyn was so palpable, and his self-confidence was at a level I hope I can somehow achieve in my lifetime. His quirky attitude has been stitched into my memories of my Schlumberger family so much so that I can't imagine that lab there without him. Rest in peace, Narv. You left this earth way too soon.

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Rachel Goldberger - July 09, 2020 at 04:46 PM

LL

“ I had the pleasure of working with Narven for most of my career. He was a very good coworker and friend. I will miss his unique perspective on things and knowledge about current events. He was very generous his time, knowledge, and abilities. One of his most shocking ability was his high kick. He had a great sense of humor. The thing that Narven loved most was his family and he always shared great family stories. He was a very proud father and husband. I am proud to have had the chance to call Narven a friend.

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**Luke Lefort** - July 09, 2020 at 04:11 PM

JM

“ Narven was always a joy to talk to, when it seemed like the world was falling apart around us he always had a cheerful attitude. Rest in peace man, you are missed



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**Josh Mittelman** - July 09, 2020 at 02:54 PM

CB

“ Amanda...you have my deepest sympathy. Love your co-worker, Charnell



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**C Bethany** - July 09, 2020 at 02:18 PM

AL

“ I have the honor of working with Narven for a couple of years. He was always extremely good at his job, very responsive and in a very good mood, helping out even when we had "not very clever" requests. He will always talk about his family, last year remember how proud he was of taking them to Disney. My deepest condolences go out to the family in this very difficult time, may God give you the strength to overcome this difficult moment. You sure will be missed.  
Alia

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Alia - July 09, 2020 at 01:42 PM

JM

“ I have many memories of my main guy Narven. Our time together was filled with fun and crazy interactions for sure. I remember when he tried to leg kick and he ripped his favorite pair of pants. I remember playing the would you rather game with him daily. I remember eating all of the food in his drawer and blaming it on other co-workers. I always enjoyed genuine conversation with Narven and I know he enjoyed them as well. Amanda and Evelyn if you ever need anything please don't hesitate to reach out. I am sorry for your loss and look forward to seeing my brother from another mother one day.

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Joe McNulty - July 09, 2020 at 11:57 AM

CC

“ *May he rest in Peace. i had the pleasure to work closely with Narven over 5 years ago in New Orleans. Great individual. I was fortunate to get to catch up with him a few weeks ago and get to experience his kindness. Narven was a family man and was a very proud husband and father. He will be missed.*

*He is in a better place. My prayers are with his family in this difficult time.*

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**Charbel Chaghouri** - July 09, 2020 at 09:23 AM

NB

“ *My son was the most caring, loving and compassionate man I have ever known. I will miss his daily phone calls. We all love and miss you so much. Narven was a very special husband, daddy and son. Love you always, Mother.*

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**Nola Bjordahl** - July 08, 2020 at 07:44 PM



“ *Narven was the most amazing and caring brother to me as well as a father and husband. I love him very much and miss him so much. I'm sure there is a special place for Narven in heaven.*

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**Alexandria Osteen** - July 08, 2020 at 07:41 PM

LK

“ I was fortunate to get to work with Narven over the last 8 years. He was always very kind and easy to talk to. I would often find myself talking to him for a half an hour on the phone about different potential outcomes and the best methods to get the job done. Narven knew a lot from his time working in the lab and was always willing to share his expertise on a subject. I believe that the only thing Narven took more pride in than his work was his family. I can recall at least one meeting that Narven had been preparing for that he told me he would need to reschedule that day because his daughter was sick, and her health was his priority. I'm sure he loved his family very much.

Narven, I'll certainly miss our talks and I hope that you are at peace. To his family, I wish you all strength during this difficult time.

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Lance Krietemeyer - July 08, 2020 at 07:32 PM

RO

“ I worked with Narven for couple of years and his attitude was always so positive. Kind and patient, he was always nice and trying to make other people better. He was always speaking proudly about his family. His little girl was at the heart of a lot of conversations.

You are missed, friend!

Deepest condolences to the family and may God give you strength through those sad times.

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Roma - July 08, 2020 at 06:44 PM

PE

“*Narven, you were such an amazing husband and daddy! I watched you play with Evie and bring joy to my daughters and granddaughter’s life! I have been blessed with your sense of humor and your gentle spirit! On our last visit we road bikes and played games. I watched you help Ev every day with her homework and keep her on track during this pandemic. We discussed a move for me and you were all for it! I didn’t expect a move down here without you. I promise I will do my best to help my daughter and granddaughter. I will help remind Evie of how much you loved her and keep your memory alive in her little heart!!  
Be at peace rest well and I know for a fact we will all see each other again!  
Love you!*”

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**Peggy English** - July 08, 2020 at 06:28 PM

BW

“*As President of the Good Timers Bowling League I offer our most sincerest condolences. Narven was a member of our bowling family and one of the sweetest and kindest people I have ever met. I never met Amanda or Evelyn in person, but he really lit up when he spoke about his family. To Amanda, our prayers will always be with you and Evelyn. If we can ever do anything for you, please keep my number and dont hesitate to call. He will be so terribly missed. May he rest in peace!  
Brenda Wilson*”

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**Brenda Wilson** - July 08, 2020 at 04:28 PM

GB

*Gods blessings on ure family great bowling with you Gilda Bates and Ten Pins bowling team*

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**Gilda B Bates** - July 08, 2020 at 09:14 PM

HO

“ I have worked with Narven only a few years, but his technical understanding has always impressed me. More importantly than that, he was always generous with his time and took the extra effort to explain things. He never reacted with anything except grace, kindness, and good humour to any situation, even if I was calling him at midnight with a work question.

Narven loved his family so much, and it always shone through in his voice when he talked about Amanda or their beautiful daughter.

You will be missed, Narven.

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**Holly** - July 08, 2020 at 03:56 PM

AO

“ Narvin loved visiting Michigan. He enjoyed smoking cigars with my dad in the summer garage. Last summer I watched his incredible gentleness with Evelyn and endearing love for Amanda. We will all miss you Narvin. You are loved so much! Aunt Annie💕

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**Ann Owens** - July 08, 2020 at 03:18 PM

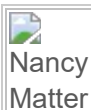
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**Mark Osteen** - July 08, 2020 at 11:44 AM



Love this!! ❤️

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**Nancy Matter** - July 08, 2020 at 02:14 PM

RC

“ I had the privilege to work with Narven for the past 12-13 years and he always conducted himself with an upmost respect for his job and the people that worked with him. Working with him for that long, we shared many stories such as the raising of kids (which ours are roughly the same age), of his childhood in Montana, bowling, and him declaring always that Sam's was better than Costco. We would always share stories about how his New Orleans co-workers took a small town kid from Libby Montana and showed him southern culture beyond his wildest dreams. He loved his job, he loved his wife, he loved his daughter and those are the three things that made him most proud (maybe his truck as well). Every time he wore his "Super Dad" baseball cap that his daughter gave him, you could see a different look in his eyes.

To his wife Amanda and his daughter Evelyn, he loved the two of you so much and did not hesitate to talk glowingly about the both of you. There is one thing that everyone in the lab would say, admire and agree on, "Boy, that Narven sure has the perfect marriage"

God bless the both of you during this difficult time.

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**Ryan Cammarata** - July 08, 2020 at 11:43 AM

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**Mark Osteen** - July 08, 2020 at 11:42 AM

MO

“ My brother Narven was a sweet and generous person who never had an unkind word to say about anyone, even our Dad, who sometimes deserved such words. His patient, tolerant nature made him a fine golfer and an even better father and husband. Raised for years by a single parent, he was strong and determined enough to graduate from college, work overseas, and make a comfortable life for himself and his family. He is gone from us much too soon, and we will all miss him forever. May he find on the other side the joy and peace that he deserves.

Mark Osteen

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Mark Osteen - July 08, 2020 at 11:38 AM

HF

“ Praying with the family.



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Helana R. Lenox & family - July 08, 2020 at 10:43 AM

ML

“ Narven was my neighbor and a very kind person. A few months ago I put together his new bicycle. I did not expect anything in return, but the next day he surprised me with two very nice gifts. Thank you Narven - your kindness will not be forgotten. Prayers for you and your family.

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Marcos Lara - July 08, 2020 at 10:26 AM

 Nancy  
Matter

“ *Rest In Peace my little brother. ❤️ So many funny and crazy memories. We went through some tough times with Dad but you stepped up and did your duty so many times. Maybe you and Dad can bowl and golf together again on the other side. May the long time sun shine upon you, All love surround you, and the pure light within you, guide your way home.*

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**Nancy Matter** - July 08, 2020 at 10:23 AM

 CP

“ *Great guy who always had kind words to say. Sorry for your loss. My prayers are with your family.*

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**Charles P Pierre** - July 08, 2020 at 10:13 AM