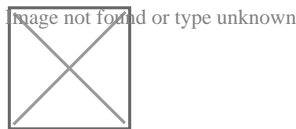


Project 2996-2009: William J. Dimmling, SVP, Marsh McLennon Companies

Description



In memorium:



William J Dimmling was a Senior Vice President Financial Systems with [Marsh McLennon Companies](#). He was one of the 295 employees of this firm who were lost his day, in their offices between the 93rd and 100th floors of the North Tower.

He went by "Bill" and [his colleague Harry Carel says Bill always had a smile on his face, no matter what came his way.](#)

47 years old, at the time of his death in the World Trade Center North Building attack. He was a resident of Garden City, NY [*ed: corrected*]. He is survived by his wife Leslie and sons, Gregory and Nicholas.

He grew up in Queens, NY, [attending PS115 and JHS 172](#), playing sports with his friends and dating. Back then, he went by "Willie."

Work came early for Bill. His father, who had immigrated to the US from Germany was a butcher. His father died suddenly when he was 18, leaving him as head of his household, having to take care of his mother and his brother Rudy. [The article in the NY Times indicates this was the genesis for Bill's love of life, and optimism, and drive.](#)

He had just completed a joint financial reporting system for Marsh, Inc the week before the attack, a project which he completed by fostering cooperation between executives around the world.

Bob McDade called him friend for 35 years, beginning with their meeting in school in 1966, and he noted Bill welcomed new people into his life and made them feel special.

One of his former employees, Orla Horn, paid this tribute to Bill:

He was a wonderful man – full of energy, vision, commitment and resourcefulness. He was also an extremely kind and caring man – who loved his family more than anything else in the world. He had a happy disposition and always managed to overcome adversity. I'm sure

all of these good traits will continue to be felt by his family and friends in the years to come as they'll always know that Bill made a difference...Our world is a better place because of him.

High praise, indeed. I think we were deprived of the possible friendship of a wonderful man, as his family and friends have been for the past 7 years, and the rest of their lives.

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