Stanley M. Pittavino ’78 (posthumously)
Pre-press Technician
First Impression Printing Company

Stanley M. Pittavino ’78 was an accomplished graphic artist, a devoted husband and a loving father.

For more than 16 years, Mr. Pittavino worked as Pre-press Technician at the former First Impression Printing Company in Pittsburgh, Pa. His responsibilities ranged from assembling and examining hard proofs, inspecting the quality and integrity of printing plates, distributing jobs to the pressroom and maintaining equipment.

Inspired by his alma mater, Mr. Pittavino lived a life that represented the values of La Roche College’s mission: compassion, perseverance and excellence. An avid bicycle enthusiast, he exhibited great compassion for others by raising funds for the Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society and participating in the annual MS 150 biking event.

“Stanley was the teacher we all wanted to impress, the brother we wanted to live up to, the good neighbor we all hoped to be fortunate enough to have, and the favorite uncle we wanted to spend time with,” Joy Shelly, a former coworker, said.

At La Roche Mr. Pittavino not only received an education – he also met his wife, Jeanne. After graduating with a bachelor’s degree in administration, management and design, he married Jeanne in 1978. Together they had three sons: Gregory, Anthony and Michael.

As the leader and backbone of his family, Mr. Pittavino never sought the spotlight but always took a supportive role in the activities of his family. He helped his sons with scout projects, transported them to activities and events, and supported his wife in her many volunteer endeavors.

Even as Mr. Pittavino struggled with a brain tumor and Gorham Syndrome, a rare bone disease, he never abandoned his ideals; instead he exhibited kindness and gratefulness to all of the specialists who worked diligently to help him back to health.

“It is how Stan lived his life that has touched us all. His quiet strength, caring ways and thankful heart will always be remembered,” family members said. “Stan lifted everyone up and made you want to be a better person.”