



## Jackson Columbus Bebber

October 23, 1972 - March 11, 2023

Jackson Columbus Bebber, 50, a loving husband, son and father to three girls, died Saturday, March 11, 2023, at Lake Lure. Jack was born Oct. 23, 1972, in Chapel Hill. He graduated from Alexander Central High School in Taylorsville in 1991, then played baseball at the University of North Carolina at Asheville, from which he graduated, with honors, in 1995. He was an award-winning residential and commercial real estate broker and green builder before returning to school to earn his law degree in 2013 from UNC-Chapel Hill, where he was an editor on the North Carolina Law Review.

Jack was an accomplished trial attorney and senior principal at Van Winkle Law Firm in Asheville, where he focused on civil litigation and eminent domain defense. He served as chair of the North Carolina Advocates for Justice Eminent Domain Section and as Vice Chair of the North Carolina Bar Association's Litigation Section Council. He was a director of the UNC Law Alumni Board and the Asheville Board of Realtors. He also served on the Asheville Downtown Commission and the Asheville-Buncombe Historic Resources Commission. Jack was named a Super Lawyers Rising Star in eminent domain and personal injury and a Best Lawyer in Litigation – Land Use and Zoning.

A country boy who grew up not knowing what a curb was, Jack had a brilliant mind, a huge heart and a gentle and loving nature that endeared him to

people wherever he went. A quintessential renaissance man, Jack was a teacher, a coach, an athlete, an organic farmer, a musician, a fisherman, a sun-worshipper, a hot sauce fanatic, a brewer of mead, a top-notch litigator, and most importantly, a devoted, generous and loyal person. He was an enthusiastic learner who never lost his curiosity about the world, especially the people in it.

Jack was a child of nature who sought the sun on his back – and then on his front – at every opportunity. He loved to travel, especially driving around his home state to visit his daughters in college. He cherished family time and those one-on-one moments, and his eyes lit up at the sight of his beloved girls, and his wife, Tami, whom he was crazy about.

Jack was also an avid reader and student of history who loved to share with his children the joys of a brown sign diversion on any road trip. But music was Jack's true passion. Self-taught on guitar, banjo, fiddle and mandolin, with an encyclopedia of tunes in his head, he loved nothing more than singing and playing with friends, whether around a campfire, a back deck, a boat, or a stage. He was most at home with an instrument in his hands and loved ones at his side.

To everyone who met him, Jack was magnetic and infectious but always down to earth, with a perfect smile that appeared quickly and easily. He lived his life with gusto, generating an unforgettable and palpable energy that was uniquely Jack Bebber.

He is survived by the love of his life, Tami Bebber of Arden; amazing daughters Judy, Molly and Sally; devoted parents, Grace Deal of Fletcher and Gary L. Bebber (Malinda Gryder) of Taylorsville; aunt Glenda Kucharski (Richard) of Asheville; cousin Sarah Kucharski of Charlotte; stepsister Sarah Bost of Seattle; and a dizzying array of friends and family who will miss him

terribly.

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday, March 26, 2023, from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm at The Wedge at Foundation, 5 Foundy Street, Suite 10, Asheville, NC 28801. A large crowd is expected. Everyone is welcome to attend in person. If you are unable to attend in person, please join the Zoom live stream at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84618870105?pwd=VDYvMFJUZkxpOWdsUTRUSmVQVkv3QT09> Meeting ID: 846 1887 0105 Passcode: 441483. Details are also available on the Go Fund Me site, where donations can be made to support the Bebber family: <https://gofund.me/0ab5d81f>.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR **26**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Wedge @ Foundation  
5 Foundy Street  
Suite 10  
Asheville, NC 28801

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Columbus Bebber*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *We are heartbroken about the loss of Jack. He was a good friend, neighbor, mentor, and an all-around amazing guy. Hugs to you and the girls as you move through this time of grief and healing. We are sending much love to you all. Mark and Bo*

**Mark Ledbetter** - March 24, 2023 at 10:34 AM



“ *Bobby and Pam Babb purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Jackson Columbus Bebber.*



**Bobby and Pam Babb** - March 22, 2023 at 02:41 PM



“ *We were so very sorry to hear the news of the passing of Jack Bebber! He seemed like a remarkable man who was dedicated to his family and community. We were privileged that our daughter was friends with one of his lovely daughters. Deepest condolences to his precious family! We'll be praying for you!*  
*Sincerely, Susan and Doug Mundy*

**Susan Mundy** - March 17, 2023 at 05:22 PM