

## Al Shenduk

It comes with a heavy heart that I announce the passing of Al Shenduk June 15, 2017. Last night I was able to go and see Al and he was sleeping and comfortable. Although they had him on pain medication he did look peaceful. His Daughter (Michelle) texted me at 1.00 am this morning and advised me that Al had passed on.

Al was predeceased by his parents and his wife Claudette of 48 years. Al was an only child born on April 6 1943. Although Al has left us he will be not be missed. Al's legacy and dedication to the game of softball was unparalleled to nothing I have ever seen before. If it was a ball game, a tournament, a meeting or a phone call the passion that Al had for the game has been passed down to a lot of us in the softball community thru out the world Al touched a lot of people's hearts. Thru the softball community I am sure that we will all carry a little bit of Al Shenduk with us, keep the passion going.

### Al Shenduk April 6, 1943 – June 15, 2017



What does the dash mean between the dates?

*For that dash represents all the time  
that he spent alive on earth...  
And now only those who Knew and loved him,  
Know what that little line is worth.*

*For it matters not, how much we own;  
The cars...the house...the cash,  
What matters is how we live and love  
And how we spend our dash.*

*So think about this long and hard...  
Are there things you'd like to change?  
For you never know how much time is left,  
That can still be rearranged.*

*If we could just slow down enough  
To consider what's true and real,*

*And always try to understand  
The way other people feel*

*And be less quick to anger,  
And show appreciation more  
And love the people in our lives  
Like we've never loved before.*

*If we treat each other with respect,  
And more often wear a smile..  
Remembering that this special dash  
Might only last a little while.*

*So, when your eulogy's being read  
With your life's actions to rehash...  
Would you be proud of the things they say  
About how you spent your dash?*

I know Al would be very proud of his dash and the legacy that he has left with everybody in the softball community and his life.

God bless everybody and remember today to share that smile that Al Shenduk has and lend a helping hand as he has done so many times before.

Always yours in softball,

Terry Richter