



## David "Red" Bevevino

February 16, 1930 - February 17, 2012

David "Red" Bevevino, 82, of Hillcrest Lane, Shippenville, died Friday morning, February 17, 2012, at the home of his daughter, Janie, where he resided for the past six and half years.

Born February 16, 1930, in Warren; he was the son of Joseph A. and Jane Lytle Bevevino.

He was married on December 14, 1952 to the former Janice Wagner, who preceded him in death.

A veteran, he served in the Army.

Mr. Bevevino was a 1948 graduate of Warren Area High School. He then graduated from the Clarion State Teacher's College in 1953.

In 1952, he led the Clarion Teacher's College Football team to an undefeated season ending with a victory in The Lion's Bowl where he was named the game's MVP. He was inducted into the Clarion University's Sports Hall of Fame in 1991.

Mr. Bevevino was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church in Clarion. He worked as a school teacher for Clarion Area High School for 12 years, three years at Keystone High School, and 20 years at A-C Valley, where he retired in 1992. He was a coach of football, basketball, track, baseball, and cheerleading in the Clarion area, including stints at Immaculate Conception, Clarion Area, Keystone, and A-C Valley.

Mr. Bevevino was a member of the Northwest Coaches Association and was a PIAA certified official.

He especially enjoyed watching his grandchildren participating in athletic events and after was often seen at local sporting events as a loyal Clarion Bobcat fan.

Mr. Bevevino is survived by four children, Mark Bevevino and his wife, Jean, of Algonquin, IL; D.J. Bevevino and his wife, Patti, of Clarion; Janie Campbell and her husband, Mike, of Shippenville; and Lori Johnston and her husband, Dan, of DuBois; eleven grandchildren, Amy Bevevino and her husband, Shane O'Dell, Matthew Bevevino and his wife, Kristi, Ross Sandora and his wife, Liz, Erika Bevevino, Ben Bevevino, Emily Sandora, David McCleary, A.J. Bevevino, Drew McCleary, Adam Bevevino, and Patrick Johnston; and three great grandchildren, Bryan, Jonathan, and Lucy.

Also surviving are four siblings, Abigail Wolf of Warren, Mark Bevevino and his wife, Fran, of Warren; Frank Bevevino and his wife, Carole; of Dallas, PA; and Joseph B. Bevevino and his wife, Beth, of Dallas, PA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife.

Family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, February 19, 2012, and from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, February 20, 2012, at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home, 638 Wood Street, Clarion.

Christian wake service will be held at 8 p.m. on Monday, February 20, 2012, in the funeral home.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, in the Immaculate Conception Church, Clarion, with Rev. Monty Sayers, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, presiding.

Interment will be held in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery.

Memorials and donations can be made to the CUP Athletic Scholarship Fund.

# Tribute Wall

ML

“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the death of your father...I saw this on the internet and was aken back at how much he looked like my father his name was Dominic Bevevino....

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**Marion Bevevino Liberty** - September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Dear Bevevino Family, we are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family at this time.

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**Jim, Rosie & Alex Lawrence** - February 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of your Dad. He was both a special teacher and special Senior Class Adviser to us. And he was ahead of his time. Over 46 years ago he was having us debate whether Red China should be admitted to the UN. He truly helped make our experiences at Clarion High positive.

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**Gail and Kendall King** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Bevevino family,  
Please accept my deepest sympathy. I'll never forget the positive influence that Mr. Bevevino had on me. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

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**Dave Miloszewski** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Dear Bebevino family,  
That beloved Red Bebevino touched so many lives in a lasting way, and he touched mine, too. When I became a teacher in Clarion County, I had moved here from the city, became an itinerant teacher, and had little experience navigating the beautiful winding roads through the woods as I traveled from school to school. One day, I arrived at AC Valley High School after driving on, what seemed to me, wilderness trails for hours. I felt lost, unsure of myself as a new teacher, homesick, and just completely overwhelmed. And then, as I walked the halls of AC Valley High School, a friendly face with a booming voice offered me an anchor: Mr.B became my mentor and my encourager when I was at AC Valley. He always had a smile and a quick quip to welcome me. His kindnesses live on and are treasures to all of us who were blessed enough to cross the path of life with him. You have my sympathies.  
Fondly,  
Margy Port

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**Margy Port** - February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ I was fortunate enough to have had Mr. and Mrs.Bebevino,as teachers.They were wonderful and unforgettable.They touched everyones heart they came in contact with.My condolences.

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**Teresa Long/Bell** - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Coach Bevevino is the one man, other than my father, who made a tremendous impact on my life.

*He instilled discipline, respect, and honor. If you played for him, he expected you to be your best on and off the field.*

*He taught you how to be a gentlemen and demonstrated it daily. He lived what he taught. I'll never forget the day I got to introduce my wife to him at a Clarion Univ football game and he removed his hat. She was so touched. And I was so pleased that he still hadn't changed.*

*He was a coach, a teacher, a mentor, and a friend. I'm privileged to have such an incredible man be part of my life.*

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**Todd Aughton** - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Janie & Family -- So sorry to learn about your dad. My memories of David from years ago are so vivid; and I would like to share them with you. Elaine, Christie and I have made a contribution to the CUP athletic scholarship fund. Our best to all in your family. Regards,  
Chris Bevevino

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**Chris Bevevino** - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ To all my Bevevino family,  
I am so sorry to learn we have lost David.  
I can only smile as I recall his zest for life, his pride in his Irish-Italian heritage and the absolute unabashed love he had had for his family.  
Love to all,  
Susie

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**Susan (Lytle) Kirk** - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We are very sorry to hear about your father. You have our deepest sympathy and prayers are with you and the family.

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**The Straw Family** - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Our sincere sympathy to the entire Bevevino family. Remember seeing Mr. Bevevino at Clarion area sporting events showing his support to all the local youth.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

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**Skip and Sara Brooks** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Saddened to read of the passing of your father. It is difficult when you realize you have lost both parents, and you are now suddenly the "oldest". But such is life. And the memories keep them with us daily. And so many memories of the days they spent at Keystone.

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**Nadine Sheffer** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TY

“ Dear Mark, DJ, Janie, Lori and family,  
I am saddened to learn of the loss of Mr. Bevevino. When I think of your father, I smile and think "old school." I am sure his lessons as a father, grandfather, teacher, coach and friend have benefited many people. We are all wiser and better by knowing Red. Thinking of you.  
Tim

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**Tim Yoho** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *What a loss to us all. I will celebrate my memories of him as a new teacher in Civics at CHS my freshman year. He was kind and caring, a good teacher, and a kidding friend. He made quite an impact. I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Margie Carter** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Bevevino Family: Our condolences to the entire family on your loss. Red was such a nice person! He was so supportive of all the CAHS kids cheering them on from the sidelines throughout the years and his loss will be dearly felt. "Grandpa Red" was truly every kid's grandpa and he touched the hearts of many who will always love him. We will keep you in our prayers- Anne, Jim , Christine, Jimmy, Kimberly and Brad MacAulay*

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**Anne & Jim MacAulay** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *So sorry for your loss. I will keep your families in my prayers.*

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**Kerry Kifer** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *What a great guy....the world is a little drabber without his presence. He was a positive influence literally thousands and thousands of people. A pretty darn good legacy !*

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**Barry & Georgette Grimm** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *You will be sadly missed. Was a great teacher and track coach. Thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.*

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**Janelle Kellerman** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I wanted to let you know that I was thinking about you. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Cara Cherico** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Mark, DJ, Janie, Lori and family, we are so sorry to learn of the passing of Uncle Dave. What a great guy and family man. We will never forget the trip to Fern for the family union several years ago. Uncle Dave went above and beyond to show us such a warm welcome. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Bob and Kathy Harris** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ I want to express my deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mr Bevevino. He touch so many peoples lives and hearts in the Clarion community. He will be greatly missed. He was the best fan a community could ever ask for!

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**Matt Long** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ I am truly sorry for the loss of your dad. He was one of the best teacher I ever had. I remember the day I went to the guidance counselor and told her I wanted to transfer into his class. She looked at me so shocked. She said she never had anyone who wanted to transfer into his class. They usually transfered out. But I knew if I wanted to learn anything I needed to be in his class. He was a tough teacher but he was also good at what he did. I feel very blessed for having known him that short time. May God bless you in your time of sorrow.

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**Christy Weaver** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Bevevino Family: My heartfelt prayers go out to your family at this time. Your father served the Lord well with his ability to touch the lives of so many students, friends, and colleagues. May God bless you,*

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**Doug Mays** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Sorry to hear of the loss of your Dad. I remember him well. I was always amazed at how loud he could whistle and how competitive he was.*

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**Mike McElravy** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Lori & Dan  
Our thoughts & prayers are with you & your families during this time of loss. Your dad was a star in the Clarion Co.athletic area, he will be missed. God Bless*

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**Chuck & Helen Griebel** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *Janie & Family: D.J & Family:  
You have our deepest sympathy on the loss of your Dad.  
Those we love can never be more than a thought apart for as long as there's a memory, they live on in our hearts. You will be in our prayers.*

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**Rege & Pat Walters** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ My deepest sympathy to all for your loss. I was fortunate to have known Dave, at one time, on a very personal level. His overall knowledge and opinions have been with me for life. Never forget the late Monday night football game when we were up until 1:00 in deep conversation (Jane and DJ thanks for having my back that day)

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**Mark Rowan** - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ D.J. and family, we are so very sorry for the loss of your father. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
With deepest sympathy,  
Bernie Spozio and Family

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**Bernie Spozio** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences. He was one heck of a man! I will miss his "fist-pump" as I walk onto the basketball floor at CUP and Clarion HS. Our thoughts and prayers are with you....Sully

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**Scott and Suzie Sullivan** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Bevevino Family, I'm sorry to hear of your loss. I know my Pennsy family has been connected with yours through friendship for many years. Your thoughtfulness, Janie when my Dad died not so long ago is remembered, even with your own father's health failing. I hope he did not suffer too badly. May your family find peace in his passing.

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**Mary Spence** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Dear Family,  
Red was true to his hair color. He was a firey and passionate coach, official, and spectator of Clarion County Sports. He touched the lives of many young athletes with the aggressive nature in which he lived. His life could be seen in his children and grand children in the way they competed. Red's smiling face at sporting events has been missed in the past year and will be missed at the local schools and University in the next month. Our condolence goes out to the family.*  
*Don and Vicky Walters*

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**don and vicky walters** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *I remember Mr. Bevevino as a dedicated teacher and coach whose caring spirit touched my life and many others. May God's comforting hand be on your family.*

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**Scott Benton** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Bevevino Family: Wanted to let you that know my thoughts are with your family. I always enjoyed seeing and talking with Red - it was great to have known him. My apologies for not being able to be there to give you my condolences in person.*

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**Pat Linnan** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *David "Red" Bevevino*

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**janie campbell** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ DJ sorry to hear about your dad. I played against him when i played for Rich Vidunas at UHS and he coached AC-Valley. Your dad was a class act as a coach and as a person. He will be truly missed. Tami, Steph and I offer our condolences to you and your family. Walt, Tami and Stephanie Best

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**Walt Best** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ First, condolences and sympathy to Mark, D.J., Janie, and Lori as they say farewell to their father and now try to fill the void that is left with his passing.

Second, ‘Red’ Bevevino was old school, coach, teacher, mentor, a role model for all those he taught, coached, and, in my case, knew as a friend. I was honored one year when he asked me to be his referee partner for a game at Warren High School, his alma mater. Upon arriving at the school, I thought I was traveling with the “mayor” since everyone knew him! The coach of the opposing team, Erie’s Cathedral Prep, commented that he was glad to see Clarion County officials as compared to those from Warren County. Red pulled me aside and said, “Don’t tell him I graduated from this place!”

Finally, as we say good-bye, but celebrate a life well lived, take comfort knowing the good Lord is now holding Red in the palm of His hand and Red is now reunited with his wife, Jan.

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**Mike O’Toole, Jr.** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Dear Family, I was the program director for the Wellness Works Center at Clarion from 2003-2006. I met Dave there and enjoyed his company and stories immensely! I am truly sorry for your family's loss. He was a wonderful man who left a lasting impression and whom I will never forget and feel blessed for have been given the opportunity to have gotten to know. May God bring your family peace through this time.

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**Erica Wolfgang** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ D.J & family,  
Please accept my condolences. Your father was a great guy to work with and know as a friend.He had a tremendous impact on both his students and his fellow teachers. He will be missed.  
Rick Flage

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**Rick Flage** - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Many fond memories of our time at Clarion and reunions. Please accept my deepest sympathy and remember to hug one another as you honor your Dad.  
Mary Rose Reno

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**Mary Rose Reno** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Bevevino family: You have my heartfelt sympathy, and will be in my thoughts and prayers. I am very thankful that I had the opportunity to know Mr. Bevevino and learn from him. He has left many lasting impressions on my life. I enjoyed his stories, and his humor and respected his honesty.

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**Julie Fair** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *Mark, Janie, DJ and Lori,  
So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. I have so many memories of growing up next door to you all and all the times and stories that included your Dad.*

*I will always remember riding to and from the basketball games with him when he was the coach at IC and I was the team manager. The ride home, just me and him after a loss, could be profoundly intense as I'm sure you know what I mean.*

*I got to see him last when he came to the 40 year class reunion.*

*The Bevevino's certainly hold a chapter in my life.*

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**Dave Judy** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Extremely depressed because of the death of your father. We go back to 1949 when we were both freshmen at Clarion. Due to medical problems I am unable to attend funeral. God Bless*

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**Louis Galli** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ *To the Bevevino Family, in this time of sorrow, our only consolation is the knowledge that we were privileged to know and work with Red over the years. During that time, we came to know him as a person who gave unselfishly of himself.*

*Our hearts and prayers are with you at this most difficult of times.*

*Ray and Patty Austin and Family*

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**Raymond Austin** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Mr. Bevevino was one of my most respected teachers and coach. Please accept my condolences.*

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**Chuck Corbett** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Growing up with the Bevevino clan was always a joy, and always full of laughter. David was not only full of fun, but took care to express his affection and caring to family and friends, and was always there to quietly offer help and a kind word. He loved a good party and surely he'll be pleased that he's the reason for this gathering. Godspeed to David, and blessings to the family.  
Love,  
Chris, Laurie & Chelsea Lytle

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**Chris Lytle & Family** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Our deepest sympathies are with Red's family as they mourn the loss of a loved one. May God's comforting presence be with you at this time and always.

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**Samuel Swick** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ To Mr. Bevevino's family (Lori),  
Please accept my sincere sympathy at the passing of your father. He will be remembered by me and many who watched him referee basketball games in the '70's as a fair man who had the highest regard for teaching sportsmanship! I now coach in a Catholic Youth Organization and often think of your father as I watch the referees stop the game to teach the kids the correct way to play the game! May the angels take him into paradise...may he have everlasting rest.

*Jana Weaver Aaron  
Former parishioner at St. Michael's in Fryburg*

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**Jana Weaver Aaron** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Please accept our sincerest condolences. We will always treasure our memories of visits, dinners, adventures, projects and travels with David and Jan throughout the past five decades.

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**Mike & Lynne Tharan** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dear Bevevino Family: As a former student of Mr. Bevevino (A-CV, '84), I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. For those of us who were privileged to be taught and/or coached by him, he was "bigger than life". I will always remember him as a tough guy with a big heart. He was among the best. My prayers are with you. God bless.

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**Brenda Gates Sloan** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Dear Bevevino Family...Words cannot express the admiration my family had for your father. Please accept our condolences at the passing of your father and know that he will always be remembered as a man of integrity, compassion and great love for all man kind. We will continue to keep your family in our daily prayers. God Bless,

*Brenda and family*

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**Brenda Preston** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ He gave so much and asked for so little. What he has left us has made all of us better for having had him in our lives.

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**Jo-B** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Red was a special teacher and coach, one who knew that there were more than simple facts and skills to pass on to his students. He touched a lot of people and will be remembered thankfully by many. My thoughts are with his family as you find the sense of peace that comes from reflecting on a life well lived.

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**John Spence** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ So sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you!

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**Terri McFerren Hoye** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Mr. Bevevino was an inspiration to many. My prayers go out to his family.

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**Jasen Best** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Bevevino Family,

*It is hard to imagine a Bobcat athletic event without Mr. Bevevino (Red) on the sideline or in the stands. It often seems as if everybody who came to the games knew Red. Words aren't enough to say how he will be missed. A real icon has passed. You are all in our thoughts.*

*The MacBeth Family*

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**Todd MacBeth** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ I want to express my deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mr Bevevino. Mr Bevevino was a Great Teacher, full of life, and common sense that he imparted to every student he came in contact with over the years. I still use many of his sayings to this day such as "Cheese and Crackers!" and "Oh Dear Bread and Beer". He was a kindred red-headed Irish-Italian and now he joins those who have gone before him. May his Memory Be Eternal!

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**Wayne Whitmer** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I am very sorry for your loss. Mr. Bevevino was a one of a kind guy, and touched the hearts of so many of his students and friends. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Dan Shingledecker** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM