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James Matusiak (FCAS 2002)

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James John Matusiak Jr., age 47, of Frisco, Texas, passed away peacefully at his home following a brief illness in January 2023. He is survived by his wife, Pamela (nee Denning) Matusiak; children Anna (18), Evelyn (16) and Ian (12); his parents, James Sr. and Ellen Matusiak; grandmother, Louise (John) Matusiak; brother, Paul (Kelly) Matusiak; sisters Carrie Sullivan and Kristin (Dan) Blaskovitz; numerous nieces and nephews, the extended Denning family and many friends. A proud father, he was married for 25 years to Pam, who was the love of his life and his high school and college sweetheart. He and his family moved from Illinois to Bermuda and then back stateside to Austin, Texas; St. Louis, Missouri; and Dallas, Texas. Raised in Orland Park, Illinois, Matusiak was the oldest of four children. He attended Carl Sandburg High School in Orland Park and the University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, where he majored in actuarial science and was a leader in the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He graduated early from college and cultivated many lifelong friendships and an undying love for the Fighting Illini. After college, Matusiak began his career at Allstate. After Allstate, he was a respected leader within the reinsurance industry for esteemed firms like Renaissance Reinsurance, KPMG and Guy Carpenter. Most recently, Matusiak was proud to be part of the team at Howden Tiger. He will forever be loved and remembered by his family and lifelong friends.