



Daryl Upsall

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I am deeply saddened to have just heard that my great friend, college, comrade, brother in arms for the Third Sector had died.

He has been a force in the Dutch and international fundraising world for well over 30 years. Passionate about fundraising and it's professional development he has been a key figure in the success of the International Fundraising Congress over the decades.

Only a week or so ago when was last communicating with Jaap was he getting on with planning the Dutch Fundraising Day for 2021, setting up an interview for publication in his magazine, expressing his deep commitment to the IFC and simply being **Jaap Zeekant**.

May he rest in peace...you will be much missed my friend.



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Tony Myers

Jaap was such a good man. We have been talking about his visit to Canada to stay with me and my family here. He and Jan Krol treated me like a brother when I had my heart attack in Netherlands in 2010. He was like a brother to me and to do many other... **See More**

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Daryl Upsall replied · 2 Replies



Aki Temisevä

Thanks for sharing Daryl. Very, very sad news indeed. I cannot believe Jaap is gone. He was a friendly face always at IFC and a great collaborator in anything good and concerning fundraising! Sending my condolences to his family and loved ones!

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Ramses Man

Yes, it is very, very sad news indeed, Daryl. I was so shocked to read that we lost Jaap. I will miss his stories, his optimism and drive to improve our sector.

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Lucy Gower

Oh no - I'm so sad and shocked to hear this. Sending condolences to his family and friends.

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Michael Kaufman

Such terrible news, Jaap was such a gentleman and a force for good

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Gordon Michie

Daryl Upsall such awful news a real gent.

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Michael Johnston

Sad to hear. A fine gentleman indeed! And a lover of The Band as I found out a few times presenting at his Dutch Conferences. Such a loss. 😞

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Sam Laprade

Heartbreaking news. So sad to hear.

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Dawn Zurell

So sorry for your loss, Daryl.

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Walter van Kaam

Thanks for your kind words Daryl, I was shocked as well by losing a old friend, colleague and mentor. We've shared our passion for 25 years. Not being able to say goodbye did hurt. Life will not be the same...but I truly hope Jaap will be remembered ... **See More**

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Annette Kelley

A fine man. Memories of IFC of years past 😞❤️

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Robbe Healey

Profoundly sorry ... such a loss.

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Eva E. Aldrich

I am so profoundly sorry to hear of Jaap's passing. He will be sorely missed.

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Norma Galafassi

Oh no - Very sad and shocked to hear this. I remember him as a friendly person to whoever he got across. Very sorry to read it. Sending condolences to you, his family and friends.

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Steve Thomas

So so sorry. What happened? I know he was ill some years ago but he seemed his old self when I last saw him in October and by his recent emails.

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 Penny Stephens replied · 4 Replies



Ken Wyman

May good memories carry you through the hard moments and inspire acts of kindness and justice.

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Ken Burnett

So sorry to hear this. Jaap was a great fundraiser and a superb guy. What a loss.

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Di Flatt

Sad to read this Daryl, so sorry. Condolences to you and his family.

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Robert Russell

So sad to hear this news.

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Rebecca A. Powell

I am so sorry to hear this Daryl. He will certainly be missed in the fundraising profession.

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Anup Tiwari

Do sorry to hear that Jaap is no more. Prayers 🙏🙏

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Jason Potts

So sad to hear this, just a lovely lovely man, the world is a slightly darker place without him 😞

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Elsbeth De Ridder

I'm so sorry to hear Daryl, my condolences

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Howard Lake

Such sad news. Jaap was always supportive and friendly to me from my first involvement at IFC onwards, and to so many others. He was one of that valuable band of people who work hard to grow and support the wider profession of fundraising. Best wishes ... [See More](#)

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Rob Patmore

how sad to hear - Jaap was such a lovely man RIP

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Mary O'Kennedy

So devastated to hear this news. Jaap always was the first person to say hello and make me feel welcome every time we met at the IFC or EU Consult meetings. I also once had the pleasure to speak at the Dutch Fundraising Day at his invitation, which he ... [See More](#)

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Paula Attfield

How very sad **Daryl**. He will be missed.

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Kyla Morris Shawyer

Oh my goodness so very sorry to hear this. Jaap was such a passionate advocate and has left a huge ripple of impact. My heart goes out to family and our fundraising community.

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Maria Ros Jernberg

So sad to hear this. What a loss for the fundraising community.

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Lucinda Frostick

Such sad news! Jaap was a real driver of fundraising in Europe, kind and committed. Deepest condolences to you, and all his family and friends.

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Marc A. Pitman

Oh no! Thanks for letting us know. That is so sad.

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Louis Cooper Robinson

Sorry to hear Daryl. Much love mate x

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Alfredo Botti

This is such sad news... I will always remember Jaap with his positivity, generosity and commitment with everyone. What a loss for the Third Sector Family. Let's make sure we celebrate all his love and contributions whenever we meet again. Thanks for s... **See More**

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Eva Calvo

Un abrazo!

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Ted Hart

Jaap Zeekant will truly be missed. Thank you for sharing 😞

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John Saunders

I didn't know Jaap personally but I did by reputation. It's always a sad moment when we lose a colleague. My condolences to the family.

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Chris Herron

Sad news. RIP.

We need all the great fundraisers we can.

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Richard Radcliffe

That is so sad he brought smiles and ideas and enthusiasm to so many of us

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Reem Abdelhamid-Gazzaz

I am so sorry for your loss **Daryl**. May Jaap rest in eternal peace 🙏

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Bashiera Rosser-Owen

Being of Dutch origin, I had always admired him from a distance and had hoped to meet him one day. To my mind, he was a great exemplar of what embodied a good fundraiser as his passion and conviction were the driving forces behind his work. Sad news ... **See More**

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Reinier Spruit

It's very sad news. Above all for his family, but also for the Dutch fundraising sector who has lost someone who had a true passion and enthusiasm for the fundraising profession especially and the non-profit sector in general. He will be missed.

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Alan Bird

Very sad news Daryl, he was such a lovely man and always ready with a smile, warm words, and support. And often a beer! He'll be very missed.

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Stephen Lee

First met Jaap in 1990. He had an idea to try and change the then current prediliction in Netherlands to refere to fundraising as simply sponsorship but had no effective means to do so.

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Stephen Lee

Supported by my new employer - the Institute of fundraising - together we embarked on re-working and creating his magazine for dutch fundraising professionals and creating from scratch, the first dutch, residential training programme for fundraisers ba... **See More**

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Stephen Lee

PS I cannot begin to tell you how hideous the food was at the somewhat sparten, rural management training centre Jaap chose to host the residential courses - years of many trees, much rain, very strong coffee but excellent fraternal learning ensued - a... **See More**

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Bernard Ross

Such sad news...always a force for change and new ideas. Always a good friend. A terrible loss.

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Rachel Keen Hutchisson

So very sorry!

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Lyndall Stein

So sorry to hear this, he was a fount of knowledge and such a king and gracious chap

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Esther Kwaku

Very devastating news. We were in touch just recently 🥺💜

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Jeanette Eesmann-Foster

He will certainly be missed! So sad:(....a loss for the Fundraising sector in the Netherlands as he always stood up strongly for what he believed!

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