

Dan's memorial plaque

To honor our guardian angel and beloved friend, a ceramic plaque was put up in the VIP lounge in Hørsholm Hallen the day before our memorial game between Hakoah and Høbas. The plaque was made by artist Jesper Packness, who runs a gallery and workshop in Store Kongensgade, Copenhagen. After accept from our chairman Anders Hageskov, Hørsholm 79'ers' board of directors and - with help from Christian Byrgesen - the approval from Dan's parents, I contacted Jesper Packness, because his products are joyful to behold and unusual in shape and colour.

The design of Dan's memorial plaque was inspired by 18th century 3D wooden plaques found in Copenhagen, for instance on old houses in Nyhavn, praising the Almighty in Danish or, as in this example, in German:



It was the intention that the motive of Dan's memorial plaque should cherish Dan's heart of gold, and demonstrate our love for him and for basketball. The idea was shown in a sketch sent to Jesper in January, two months after the project was initiated.



Jesper produced three templates in clay, and our board chose one of them to go into production; the board members of our youth teams decided on the text to be displayed.

As some of you may have seen, the result of these preparations is on display in our lounge, and hopefully it will inspire all of us to follow Dan's vision of forgiveness and respect regardless of race and religion. May the Almighty bless Dan's soul.