



Daniel T. Ephland

June 13, 1941 - June 20, 2010

Daniel T. "Danny" Ephland, 69, of Loveland, passed June 20, 2010, at Horsetooth Reservoir, the place he loved most, located in Fort Collins, Colorado. Mr. Ephland was born June 13, 1941, in Nevada, Missouri, to John and Ethel "Ditto" Ephland. Danny married Connie Gilbert on August 14, 1960, at the Methodist Church in Edgewater, Colorado. Mr. Ephland moved from Lakewood, Colorado, eight years ago when he and Connie designed and built their retirement home on Bodecker Reservoir in Loveland, Colorado. Danny was an Electrical Contractor for more than 45 years and owner of Associated Services, Inc. He held Colorado State Electrical License #1. Danny enjoyed boating, traveling, gardening, fishing and cooking. Family and friends were the joy of his life. He was a man of all trades and master of one. He was a member of the Lakewood Elks and the Marianna Cove HOA Board. Survived by beloved wife, Connie; daughter, Danna Jim Cobbett; son, Troy Gina Liston; grandchildren: Brent Teralyn Thompson; Kristi Bobby Dennis; Cory Ephland; Tim Cobbett; CW and Kristina Liston; great-grandchildren: Haley, Jaden and Greyson Dennis; and Treven Thompson; brothers: Earl Maxine; Aaron Diane; sisters: Vivian Battu; Rosemary Don Hulst; and many nieces and nephews. Preceding Danny in death are his parents, and sister, Wilma. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at Resurrection Fellowship, 6502 E. Crossroads Blvd., Loveland, CO. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established to resurrect a lighthouse at Horsetooth Reservoir. Memorial contributions to Connie A. Ephland for the Daniel Ephland Memorial Fund, c/o

of Westerra Credit Union, 98 Spruce St., Denver, CO 80230.

Tribute Wall

KH

“ A little bit of each of us passed on this week. Each of us lost a portion of the best of who we are. Danny made us all a bit better than we were before he entered our lives and enriched us. Seldom in our lifetime do we encounter a person that embodies all that is GOOD. Consider what we will miss; friendly greetings with a warm smile; reminders of the great day ahead; a bit of sunshine on an otherwise dismal weather day; offers of a chair to sit and visit; tireless energy to make things right; a never-ending willingness to help everyone; and probably the most cherished thing we will miss is NEVER an unkind word. Our best tribute to the life of Danny is for each of us to remember him and to try to model what we do and say every day after his fine example. And so dear Ephland?s, heaven will be even better for us all now that Danny is there to make things right and to be first in line should God need a helping hand. With warm, heartfelt thoughts, profound respect and much love.

Ken & Trudy Halley - June 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Dear Danny, We miss you so much! You are one of the best friends that we both ever had. We will forever hold you in our hearts. How do we ever thank you for all you have done for us with your endless tasks of helping us with the boat and so many things. Most of all, we will miss your loving, caring, optimistic spirit that brightened our lives every time we were around you. Our last memory of you is your kneeling down to hug Lyric and tell her how sweet and precious she was. Danny, We know you are with Jesus. He caught you in his arms and swept you off to heaven to help Him there as Don said. We do not understand why you had to go so soon but we will trust God and know someday it will all be clear to us. We are better people for having known you and will strive to be better in your honor. God Bless your family that we love so much! Anita and Don

Anita and Don Fort - June 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Connie, We were devistated by the news of Danny's passing. For close to 25 years we enjoyed you and Danny, your great sense of humor, helpfulness to others and all the great fun we all had at Horsetooth. I hope you can take some comfort that his passing happened in a place that you and he loved so much. We will all remember him as a great guy who loved life and tried to live it to the fullest. May God be with you and your family.

Ted & Lois Bruin - June 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ It was an honor knowing Dan. He always laughed and always had more energy more then anyone I ever new. He will not be forgotten.
TC

TC - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Danny reminded me of my own grandfather, full of light, laughter and always full of gentle love. He had such an optomistic outlook on life and always believed the best in others, which brought out the best in others. He was always helping someone and gave generously of his time and energy. We are all better people for having known Danny. He always said, "it doesn't get any better than this". Then God called him home to heaven. We love you, Danny, and will miss you so much.

Sheri Lynton - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Connie we are still in shock at Danny's passing, and offer you our most heart felt sympathies. Danny was one of the finest men I know, a real gentleman. Please call on us if there is anything we can do for you. We love you Gal

Jim & Doty - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Danny, Connie, Danna, Jim and family have been in our minds all week. How can we express what an impact Danny has made in our lives to help comfort everyone? Danny's open acceptance of being who you are and happily welcoming you each weekend. Offering free advice and help to make sure that you were successful with whatever project you happened to be working on well John, I'm gonna tell ya! was mentioned many times – thanks Danny. There are not many people in the world who enjoy giving rather than receiving. Danny gave to many without expectation or reward. His reward was seeing a smile on your face and a BIG hug. Which he received many by the ladies:o. We've been left voiceless in trying to give comfort. How does one give support at this time of loss? One feels weak and helpless to give the comfort that it will take to go on without Danny. Although he may not be here in physical form his presence will remain with you always. You are in our prayers.

John & Judy Coley - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Connie, Dana, Troy and Family, We are at a loss to fully express how we loved Danny. He was a rare man. He always was helping someone or making a drink or standing by his boat with that huge smile of his. That smile will always warm our hearts. I will never forget that last hug he gave me as he and Connie left the Dock that night. You are all in our prayers for a man that was taken too soon. Danny, we love you and will miss you always.

Rick, Kathy, Lauren and Cory Hall - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I am sorry for your loss. Dan was a wonderful man. I knew him only through work, but over 18 years he was unfailingly responsive, encouraging and always ready to answer questions or give some welcome advice to solve a problem. He made the world a better place through his interactions with everyone he came contact with and what better legacy could anyone have? My thoughts are with you.

Deanna Steinke - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dan was Great Person who was always willing to help. We will miss him dearly

Les Eben/ Wehner Property Mgmt - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Our deepest condolences to Connie and family. We knew Danny from the docks. He always had a smile and something nice to say. It was our blessing to have known him, he will be missed.

Dee and Bob Serna - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Dear Connie & family, Words cannot express our sorrow. We have many great memories of our times together: eating, cooking, laughing, boating... Dan's 50th birthday party!! Our prayers are with you all. Love, Bob, Lori & Sebastian Jennings

Bob & Lori Jennings - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Please accept my deepest condolences in this time of loss.

john Vest - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Dear Connie and family, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time of your loss of Danny.

Katy Little - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ I will remember Danny as both a good friend and a giving mentor. I remember running in to Danny and Connie at Lake Powell the first year I new them in the early 90's. We were just putting in at Bullfrog and they were just pulling out. I looked up and immediately recognized them from the docks and enjoyed listening to them rave about their experiences over the past week. We became good dock mates in the years to come, and I bought my my current boat "Aradia" from them five years ago. Vivian and I will miss him dearly and hold him in our hearts the rest of our lives.

Sandy Maxwell & Vivian Tribble - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ We pray that Dan?s journey is filled with the light of God and his spirit lifts his family, close ones and all of us who mourn for him on this earthly plane. With warm regards, Jeff Barnes and Sandy Pauer
591 Cove Drive

Sandy Pauer & Jeff Barnes - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Danny we had so many more things to get done together and I have so many more questions to ask you about the stuff your so good at and about life. You had a great last day from what I was told. Wouldn't you know it the one Father's Day I was not at the lake.

Dennis Lynton - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“*Connie, Please accept my most heartfelt condolences for the passing of your husband, Danny. He seemed like a very nice person when I met him earlier this month. He also seemed so vital and friendly. I am sure you and your family are in shock. I am deeply sorry for your loss. John McElrath, Jefferson High School, Class of 1961*

John McElrath - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“*We had such a great last day with Danny and Connie and Danna on our boat and those are now very precious memories. Danny's comment on the ride was "It just doesn't get any better than this", but how many times did we hear him say that! Danny was like a family member to all of us on Dock II. We will never forget him!! May God Bless you, Connie and Danna and Troy, as well as all of your family!*

Sandy & John Sundquist - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“*We all love Danny so very much. He is the excellence in people we all work our lives to accomplish, it was natural for Danny.*

Scott - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PD

“*Connie, Our deepest sympathy on your loss of Danny. This has been a terrible shock for you, your family and friends. I hope you will be comforted by the support of those who love you and Danny.*

Phil & Linda Darcy - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our sincere sympathy in your loss...Danny always had a smile and a cheerful hello for everyone. He will be missed at Inlet Bay! Jody and Jim, North Dock

Jody and Jim Brammer - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Connie and Family, You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Dan was one of the "coolest" guys we have ever met and we feel so blessed to have known him and to have been able to laugh with him on many occasions.

Todd and Lanette Stineman - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ My condolence to the family. In my youth Uncle Dan was a great influence. May the Lord give you eternal life... Michael Aaron Ephland

Michael Ephland - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I Love You Dad! I Miss You! I will always treasure our relationship, it was a very special one and I will always remember the good times we shared. You were very special in every way and I love you with all my heart. I look forward to the time we can be together again. Thank you for all your love and support, it will never be forgotten. You were the best Dad ever.

Danna Cobbett - June 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM