



Donald Ray Asmus

March 18, 1952 - November 26, 2023

Donald Ray Asmus, born March 18, 1952 to Harold and Norma Jean (Tuxhorn) Asmus, passed from this earth on the morning of November 26, 2023 in Fort Collins, Colorado. His dearest friend Pam Franzen was present with him as his journey was completed.

Don was born in Greeley, Colorado, but the family including older brother Paul Asmus, moved to Fort Collins in 1955 where he grew up in an ideal neighborhood near City Park with lots of similarly aged children. He spent his childhood and adolescence interacting with neighborhood kids doing all the things a healthy child of the time did including bike riding, swimming, fishing, golf, fireworks, searching for all manner of wildlife. He graduated from Poudre High School and Colorado State University with a Bachelor of Science degree Magna Cum Laude in Engineering in 1975. Don then moved to the Denver area to take a job with Stone and Webster as a Civil engineer for a 40 year career until his retirement in 2015. During his work years he was the “go to man” for computer issues and at home he did beta testing for all the new Apple Computer products. He was always on the very cutting edge of personal computer technology and had the first model of all Apple products. His many hobbies included model rocket building and flying, and following manned and unmanned space flight. He also closely followed the latest “quality” movies and upcoming female singer/songwriters-becoming somewhat of a amateur film and music critic. Later in his life he would take

daily 5-10 mile walks around the Denver area taking numerous artistic photographs. Full of kindness, he enriched the lives of many, particularly in his last three years of life where he interacted with many health care workers and staff members at long term care facilities, most recently Morningstar.

Don is survived by his brother Paul (Alice) Asmus of Kalamazoo, Michigan, Stepmother Betty Asmus, stepsister Sandra (Micheal) Manning, stepbrother Thomas (Sarah) Nesbit, numerous nieces and nephews and his dearest friends Bill and Pam Franzen. Don was preceded in death by his parents, stepfather Merrill Shearer, stepsister Barbara Dugie, and stepbrother Charles (Wendy) Nesbit.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held in Fort Collins in the summer of 2024. Donations may be made in Don's memory to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ We were the same age and grew up in the same neighborhood. We went to the same schools and played on the same playgrounds and backyards. We hung out with the same guys and dated the same girls. We loved the same music, drank from the same pitcher and smoked the same joint. We talked for hours about many things, and I am proud he called me his friend.

Bruce Forster

Bruce Forster - June 17, 2024 at 08:29 AM

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“ I have so many good memories of Don. Raised in the same great neighborhood we enjoyed a wonderful childhood. Rest in peace dear friend.

Debbie Shankle Zeigler

Debbie Zeigler - December 23, 2023 at 08:45 AM