



Joe Vansant

May 7, 1944 - August 28, 2014

Joe Vansant, 70, of Fort Collins, died at his home August 28, 2014. He was born in Fort Collins on May 7, 1944 to Wendell and Elise Vansant. Joe was raised in Fort Collins, attended St. Joseph Catholic School his great –great grandfather, Frank Michaud, donated the land for the church and the school, Fort Collins High school and Colorado University graduating in architecture. He was owner of Positive Environments, Inc. and Vansant Construction. He designed, built and remodeled many commercial and residential buildings in the Fort Collins area, including the Spring Creek Medical Park and three of its main buildings. Joe valued organic sculptural-shaped buildings and was one of the first in Fort Collins to incorporate in-floor radiant heat technology. Joe was an accomplished artist. He created bronze and wood sculptures, masks and large three-dimensional wool-felt pieces. His most notable bronze sculpture is the Gatekeeper. He was an officer with the Loveland Sculpture Invitational outdoor art show in Loveland since its inception 23 years ago. A memorial service will be held at the Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive St., Fort Collins at 10:30 am on Tuesday September 2, 2014. Reception will follow. Friends may send condolences to the family at bohlenderfuneralchapel.com.

Tribute Wall

MA

“ Joe gave me my start in Consulting Engineering, although we lost touch, Joe was a great Architect / Builder and I will be forever grateful for helping a youn "kid" begin his career. See you on the other side Joe, Rest in Peace

Mike Anklam - September 05, 2015 at 02:10 AM

PC

“ I was very shocked and saddened to hear of Joe's passing. So many of the local art events Joe went to and it was there that I was able to converse with him. As a fellow artist and long time residence of Ft. Collins, I will miss his influence and presence in this town.

Peggy Colburn - September 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Joe will be missed

carl denton - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ We're sorry we're unable to make Joe's funeral today – he'll always be in our memories, creative thoughts and prayers. Joe was a unique and special friend – we're sorry he's gone and will miss him dearly! Ron & Patti Plunkett 300 Hollyberry Ln Boulder, CO 80305

Ron Plunkett - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ I will miss you dear cousin. Rest in peace.

Pat Granaas - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Will miss you Joe, enjoyed working on your projects, have a great journey!

Andrew Skeens - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ My deepest sympathy to you. Joe was a great guy and I enjoyed knowing him through the Sculpture Show. Carol Stark

Carol Stark - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Our deepest sympathies to Joe's family & friends for his loss. Joe has been a dear friend since the First Grade & will be missed by us and our community more than words can express. Now there is a void in our lives because Joe's friendship cannot be replaced. Joe's, Elise's & Wendell's legacy to our family will be with us forever --- until we meet again.

Jerry & Tina Dunn - September 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Joe, it was a pleasure working with you and your beloved dogs. Your office visits were a joy. I loved your sharing of Ft Collins history. Your art work was amazing! Godspeed, friend. c j

Chuck Johnson - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ May wonderful memories help you at this time of loss.

Henrietta Tamlin Richardson - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Joe, You taught me much and encouraged me to continue learning. I will miss you but know that you led a full life with many friends. Linda and I were so happy that you and Jane got together. Our condolences to Jane, Joe's family and the many friends of yours we have never met but who had the joy of knowing you. Vaya Con Dios amigo.

Jamie Hollifield - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Joe has been a friend since high school. Joe always had that smile and he was always a gentleman. Joe will be missed by all who knew him. With our sympathy to his family and friends. Les and Gelene Peterson

Les and Gelene Peterson - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ Goodbye Joe. You will be missed.

Ejel - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ May Joe find peace and confort in the days ahead. Wish I could have seen his many works for art. Rest in Peace

larry pierce - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ A friendly smile, a story to share, a wave to our neighbor: The Britt Family was honored to live in your hood and to know you. Much love, Danelle

Matthew and Danelle Britt - August 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *My Condolences to the Family and Friends of Joe Vansant. I knew Joe well, worked for him and with him and always considered him a Friend and Fine Man.*

Jay W. Jarvis - August 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *Rest in peace, Joe. It was a honor to call you my friend. I was in awe of your talent and attitude.*

Lenny Armstrong - August 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM