



## Peter Judson Standard

February 22, 1971 - March 28, 2021

Peter “Judson” Standard, son of late Dr. Peter Standard and late Sharon Frazee Standard was born February 22, 1971 in Springfield, Missouri. An only child, his family moved to Fort Collins in the 1970’s. He graduated from Poudre High School in 1989 and Colorado State University in 1993. He enjoyed a few years in Hawaii as he earned a certificate in Oceanography and then returned to Colorado in 1996. He decided to pursue a career in healthcare, and attended the University of Colorado earning both an MBA as well as a Masters in Health Administration in 2003.

Judson married his wife of 22 years, Melissa Erin Palmer on February 6, 1999. They were blessed with two beautiful children, Logan Alexa Standard and Reid Jackson Standard. Throughout his career, Judson balanced a busy schedule, running the operations of multiple medical practices while raising his children, supporting them in any one of their multiple endeavors. He developed a passion for coaching. Whether it be a football field, a basketball court or softball field, he truly loved watching his children compete.

In his spare time, you could find him rod in hand on a river, accompanying his wife walking at least one of their beloved canines, on a golf course complaining that his 400+ yard drive “wasn’t that far”, or memorizing a movie line to repeat later to one of his many friends.

Judson was part of an extraordinary group of young men who have

maintained a longstanding friendship. It is these men and their families with whom Judson and his family continued to make so many memories through the decades. As an only child, these friends were nothing less than brothers, and he held them all in the highest regard.

Judson's 6'5" frame was matched only by his larger-than-life personality. He was warm, kind, and loved advocating for those who needed extra assistance or help making a connection. He was charming, generous and comforting, always one of the first to open his arms and wrap them around anyone who needed support. His smile would crinkle the corners of his eyes and light up a room. He was taken without warning on Sunday, March 29th, and his loss leaves a massive hole in the lives of everyone who loved him. He will be dearly missed.

Judson is survived by his aunt, Julia Standard of Macomb, Illinois, his cousin, Laura Kempfer of St. Louis, Missouri, his uncle, Michael Frazee & cousins Thomas & Heather Frazee of Oahu, Hawaii. He leaves behind his wife, Melissa Standard and their two children, Logan Standard, 18, attending school at the University of Colorado, and Reid Standard, who resides with his mom in Timnath, Colorado.

A celebration of life event will be held in June of this year, details to follow at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the American Heart Association or the Larimer County Humane Society.

# Tribute Wall

ER

“ Can’t believe this sad news. He was larger than life and always had that laugh ready. I met Jud in Hawaii. He was a supervisory trainer and was having me help teach one of the dolphins a new behavior- Wha-Bap. The dolphin was supposed to hit a ball with their tail. Which worked sometimes. When it did, the ball often went sailing into the ocean outside. Oops :-) Jus was my “release” trainer which meant extra testing to see if I was ready. He fed the most fish demanding dolphin (Ake) nearly all the fish during a research session. I had to be super creative for 35 minutes with no fish to give her!! And boy did he laugh sitting on the back lanai! My heart aches for his family. My condolences to you as you go through the impossible.

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**Erin** - April 27, 2021 at 10:11 PM



“ *Judson Standard was an anesthesia friend. We first met through Marcia Brauchler and would see each other often at anesthesia meetings. Judson always had a smile on his face and a warm greeting. I always remember looking up to him, literally! Since I'm kinda short, that was always easy.*



*I was saddened to hear of his passing and am grateful to his wife, Melissa, for sharing her learned wisdom. Yes, we hear the symptoms to watch out for, but seldom pay that close attention. I am paying attention now...*

*Even though Judson had moved on to other adventures outside of the small world of anesthesia administrators, he was still a friend and will be missed. I pray for comfort for your family and will make a donation in his honor to the American Heart Association.*

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**Kelly Dennis** - April 21, 2021 at 01:00 PM

MB

“ So very sorry for your loss. Judson was a great man in every way. We met through a connection at CU-Denver, and quickly became friends and immediately started working together. We were pregnant with our first born daughters at about the same time, and clearly Judson had met his match with you, Melissa, who rivaled him in being amazing. If you all hadn't moved up north, we probably would've moved into houses right next door to each other in Parker so we could continue doing everything together! Such a joyful time!!!! So amazing to be on the journey of life together with you both and your positivity and joie de vivre.

We remained close throughout his time running the anesthesia practice. One of my favorite memories was when we went with several of Jud's physicians and our attorney to attend a compliance conference in San Antonio. I'm sure we learned a lot, but I know we experienced the city - the food, the Alamo, and had a blast. Jud and I attended another conference several years later in San Antonio, and he came to support me (even though he was a client, he came to hear my talk), sitting in the front row at the first table in the otherwise practically empty ballroom. He didn't even seem to mind, and he stayed awake. (Now that's friendship!)

As a professional, Judson was true to his word and his handshake meant something. He oozed integrity. He was constantly learning and growing to be the best he could be, and to lead his staff and physicians into the future. He helped out everyone he could on the way. He knew that someone else's success didn't detract from his, and together, we all could 'win.' He was loyal and always supportive of everyone striving to do better with their efforts. His legacy will be long lasting in lots of people's lives and their careers. I know I'm a better person today for having known him.



**Marcia Brauchler** - April 11, 2021 at 04:32 PM

SC

“ We were so sorry to hear of Judson’s passing. Our son Scott was one of Judson’s close friends especially when they both attended Tavelli. One of the fun stories is about the time their dads took the two boys on a boating trip on Lake Powell. Lots of fishing and laughter. Later I was a college mentor for Jud. I have always considered him another one of my boys. I am deeply saddened that he has left us. Susan Cole

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**Susan Cole** - April 11, 2021 at 10:56 AM

TB

“ Jud volunteered frequently in my kindergarten class at Bethke, when I taught Reid. He just loved being in there with Reid, seeing him learn and grow and having fun with his friends. Jud was kind, funny, outgoing, and someone the kids looked up to. I know this is a great loss for your family, Melissa. The Bethke family loves you and Reid and Logan and are holding you close in our hearts. Much love, Tracy Berg (Miss Taylor)

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**tracy berg** - April 08, 2021 at 09:51 PM

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“ I was Logan’s softball hitting coach and this is how Judson and I met-he LOVED his family and was passionate about his children’s growth and development. There were times when Judson would text or call me about softball “stuff” or advice and I appreciate him trusting and confiding in me for answers. The world lost a great man, father, husband and friend-Judson you will be greatly missed. Love and hugs to Melissa, Logan, Reid and their fur babies. Chris Hutton

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**Chris Hutton** - April 05, 2021 at 01:46 PM

NF

“ I would like to send my heartfelt condolences in the loss of Judson. How difficult for a family losing their husband, Dad, and friend. So sorry!

I am the person who adopted Dino in 2015, after Judson's Dad passed. Dino is 13 years old now and doing great. Dino is such a good dog who loves his people and dog friends.. thank you Judson for taking care of Dino, calling me for help, and letting me adopt Dino into our family, Your dad, Peter, would be proud of you!

I think of Dr Peter often, such a pleasant being I will always be grateful for as a friend and adopting Dino as a young dog!. Thank you Judson for your kindness, we will miss you!

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**nancy faust** - April 05, 2021 at 10:28 AM

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“ Judson and I were neighbors when we were five years old. He moved soon after our kindergarten year, but I continued to see him from time to time. We then reconnected more recently at Ptarmigan. What I loved about seeing Judson is that no matter how much time passed, our friendship felt like we had seen each other every day. He was always kind and made you feel like you were important. I will miss his smile and his charm. To Melissa, Logan and Reid, may find memories of Judson help mend the holes in your hearts. ❤️

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**Kelly Allen** - April 05, 2021 at 09:43 AM

VP

“ I never thought I would be writing about my memories of Jud, but with a heavy heart I wish to share some of my best. Once Jud married our daughter, Melissa, we became a part of his extended family. He was the author of many adventures that Phil and I would have never experienced had it not been for him. I had my first motorboat ride with him, a houseboat vacation on Lake Powell, parasailing in Cancun, RVing our way to Yellowstone, and riding a camel near Cabos San Lucas to name just a few special times. He knew how to have fun and included us in many vacation experiences with Melissa and the kids.

A gentle giant, Jud gave the best comforting hugs after I lost my Mom and Sister. He was always ready to help his unhandy in-laws fix doorknobs, or install a screen door, or put in lightbulbs so out of reach.

I will remember his sparkling blue eyes and infectious smile. He had a love of sports, was passionate about all things "fishing", dressed impeccably, and had such a memory for movie lines. Above all these memories, was his love for his family. We were so blessed to have him in our lives, but not nearly long enough.

With Great Sadness,  
Vicki Palmer (Nonny)

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**Vicki Palmer** - April 05, 2021 at 12:43 AM



“ I met Jud when he started dating my sister, Melissa, over 20 years ago. I have many great memories of him from holiday dinners, getting my butt beat on the golf course, family vacations, non stop movie quotes, and his big bear hugs which seemed to get bigger every year.

*What I want to share is a more personal story that I think showed Jud's generosity and love for his (extended) family.*

*A little over four years ago, I had a lump in my neck. I couldn't seem to get the attention it deserved from my doctors. To Jud, this was unacceptable and he referred me quickly to a new ENT based on his experience with him. This ENT immediately removed the lump and I received a tough pathology report. After receiving the report, Jud went into full emergency mode. He contacted his friend at a local hospital and I was seen by one of the best oncologists in the nation within 48 hours. Within 5 days, I was in treatment and fortunately I am still here today due in large part to his love and generosity.*

*Jud was a warm and loving uncle to our kids and a friend to my wife and our extended friends. He is gone much too soon.*

*Rest In Peace  
With Love and Gratitude,  
Matt Palmer*



