



Randy Royal Romer

April 22, 1953 - July 29, 2010

Randy Royal Romer, 57, of Fort Collins, Colorado, passed away unexpectedly on July 29, 2010 at Poudre Valley Hospital of complications from a recent surgery and pneumonia. He was surrounded by his loved ones and will be deeply missed. Randy was born to Rex R. and Betty L. Hoffman Romer on April 22, 1953 in Cherry Point, North Carolina. He moved to Fort Collins, Colorado with his parents in 1954. Randy attended Laurel Elementary, Lincoln Jr. High and Poudre High School. After leaving Poudre early, he sought employment with the Burlington Northern Railroad. After a life altering accident in 1985, he returned to Centennial High School to earn his G.E.D. After which he attended CSU, earning an Associate's Degree and F.R.C.C. taking welding classes. He felt his accident was a second chance at life and was truly a blessing. A blessing because it gave him the opportunity to do the things he might not have ever gotten the chance to do. Randy loved his 5 mastiff dogs. He also loved the outdoors, whether it was snow skiing, scuba diving, fishing, hunting or landscaping his property. He was the general contractor and worked tirelessly, in the building of his "Earth Ship" and Straw Bale house. He was able to see things for what they could become, rather than what they were. His creativity knew no bounds. His hobbies included woodworking, metal works, stain glass, leather and jewelry. Keeping his body in shape was important to him. Randy held a black belt in Karate. Randy was a fixture in many local places, making friends wherever he went. He kept a positive attitude no matter what life threw at him. His heart was very warm and

welcoming to those he met. He was a kind and generous soul. Randy is survived by his mother, Betty; his sister, Kelly Meyer and her husband, Marvin; niece, Sarah and nephew, Wade; brother, Kevin, and his wife, Janna; nieces, Kacey and Lyndsey, and nephew, Zackery all of Fort Collins; brother, Rod, and his wife, Hollie of Cheyenne; and a very special love, Judy Tooley and son, Salim Abed and his best 4-legged friend, Willy.

Preceding Randy in death was his father, Rex and his grandparents. A "Celebration of Life" will be Friday, 10:00 a.m. at Timberline Church, South Auditorium, 2908 S. Timberline Road, Fort Collins. A private burial service will be at a later date. Memorial Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Stem Cell Research in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524.

Tribute Wall

TS

“ I am in shock...Randy was like family, a mentor to us, especially my daughter Leanna, who also had a prosthetic leg. I wish I could muster up the words that he deserves, and I'm sorry I'm in shock...I lost contact with him (my phone broke), then we moved. All these years something didn't feel right, but I didn't want to be right. I'm so sorry for your loss. God bless him. He was a great man.
- Teresa, Leanna, Marissa, and Veronica.

Teresa Soto - September 16, 2017 at 09:30 PM

CB

“ wow this really put me in shock..I worked for randy on his earthship and we all became family...im really sadden to see such a great man a survivor and good friend go so suddently...miss u randy

cathy barella-martin - October 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Dearest Betty, Kelly & the brothers, This has come as a shock, but please know that my thoughts are with you all. It's been many years but the memories have never dimmed. What a great gift Randy was to me!!! And all of you too. I will try to remember him dancing with me in those crazy contests. Know he is building his log cabin, refinishing furniture and dancing in heaven. Love, Elaine

Elaine Isom Christman - April 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ wow this comes as a shock...I took care of randy when he was in ICU at pvh.I worked for randy in the late 90's on his beloved earthship.im soo sorry I thought he came out of it and everything was ok....god bless cathy

cathy barella martin - December 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I met Randy in Loveland while he was riding his three wheeler...right then I knew he was a "good guy".....we were in Wyo. on vacation....sorry I missed the service

Ron and Connie Reno - August 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I knew Randy at the health club- he was always friendly and upbeat. He was grateful for all the blessings in life. He was an inspiration to many people and will be sadly missed. I was out of town or I would have come to the service. Peace be with you.

Karen Nesler - August 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Please accept my condolences for your loss; I didn't know Randy very well but I knew instantly that he was a caring gentle person. Being cousins I feel we should have known each other better. As I read the guestbook I see just how special a person he was!

Mike Crawford - August 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ To the Romer Family --- our thoughts and prayers to you during your time of loss. Randy was a wonderful person and could always make us smile! He's in a better place now and I remember talking with him about when it was his time to go, he couldn't wait because he would have 2 legs and 2 arms in heaven -- he would be whole again. He's in a great place now.....

Paul and Susan Neiman - August 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Dear Kelly and the rest of the Romer Family: Please accept our deepest condolences during this very difficult time. We were all so very saddened to learn of Randy's sudden and tragic death. We are all praying for your peace in the near future. B'Shalom- Temple Or Hadash

Temple Or Hadash - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Randy will be missed by all. He who dies with the most toys wins. Randy won. I will miss visiting with him in the garage and at the gym. I will gladly help out with Willy if you would like since I am the one who talked him in to getting him. I know Randy wanted to have him become a service dog. I think this would be a great tribute to Randy to have Willy trained to go into nursing homes and rehab facilities. Sincerely, Paula Hale

Paula Hale - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ We will miss you my friend. We had many laughs about our situations and were an inspiration to each other. I will truly miss you but know you are watching over all of us reminding us to keep fighting. Thanks for being such an awesome guy.

John Faulkner - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“❤️ *To the Romer Family, I am So Sorry for Your Loss; You Have My Deepest Sympathy... I met Randy in the 70's and have not seen him in years but will always remember him as warm and friendly man with a great smile. Years ago when I would see him at the health club I was always in awe of him and all that he was accomplishing in his life. Nothing seems to get him down. He was a real man in my eyes and will always be remembered with great respect and kindness.*

Terri Sager - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *When we think of Randy, we can't help but remember the "Romer Boys."It was always Randy, Rod and Kevin with poor Kelli being protected and harassed by all three. What wonderful memories you all must have of your beloved Randy and the wonderful life he accomplished. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Jerry and Donna Schott and Family*

Jerry Schott - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VV

“ *I work in the motor vehicle department in Ft Collins amd I am sorry for you loss. Randy was a delightful person and left us with wonderful memories. One was, Randy had many and I mean many dozen red roses delivered to our deparment for everyone to enjoy. He had a smile that caught everyones eyes. Randy was so positive with life and made me realize that nothing should bring us down. We will truly miss him. Val Valdez*

Val Valdez - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *My heartfelt condolences.*

Larry Bolt - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ The world has lost a very special person as well as his friends and family. Randy touched the hearts of everyone he met. I knew him from waiting on him 1st at the bank and then in the Motor Vehicle Office. We talked motorcycles, relationships, politics, and life. He got harassed in a good way every time he came into the office as well as hugs from all of us. We are sorry for your loss, but take comfort in his accomplishments and the mark he left on so many.

Carolyn & Bill Thompson - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I have known Randy for more than 10 years now. I first met him when I worked at the drive thru at McDonalds when I was in high school. Randy used to come through and order 20 cheeseburgers for the three gigantic dogs he always had with him. He was always so wonderful to talk with and he would stay and talk until I had to go help another customer. A few years later, when I was in college and working at Macys, Randy used to come in and I would help him shop for hours. He would even call to let me know when he would come in next so that I would be there to help him. I have never known such a genuinely nice and uplifting person. He was such a pleasure to know, and in all the years that I lived and worked in Fort Collins, he was one person that I always looked forward to seeing and never cut any conversation short with. I will truly miss seeing him and sharing wonderful stories with eachother and I will never forget his beautiful dogs, that I always called "his bears".

Dana Rea - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Betty and family Please accept my sincere condolences I saw Randy at the Dr's office a month or so ago.when he told me all that he had been through and he looked so good, and always had that smile and happiness about him. He will be missed by all

pat block - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Randy's friendly face a positive attitude will be missed at the RAC/Pulse. He had a smile and kind word for all. May you be resting in God's arms, out of pain and in peace.

Sandy Hofer - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Randy was the most honest, positive person I have ever met. In the 10 yrs I knew Randy he always had a cheery word, and a smile for everyone. Randy, if even 1/2 of the people in this world had your positive outlook and words to share, the world would be heaven on earth! You will be missed my friend!

Holly Faatz - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Romer Family: Please accept our deepest sympathies during this very difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Myrna & Jim Rodenberger

Mynra Rodenberger - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Never in my life have I met someone so selfless. Randy always managed to bring a smile to my face and showed me how to truly appreciate life. Randy, you will be missed greatly but your legacy will live on. You touched so many lives and we will never forget your positive outlook on everything life threw at you. God bless the Romer family. My thoughts and prayers are with you through this difficult time.

Ricki Dugdale - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dear Holly and Rod, I am truly sorry to hear about Randy. Thankfully a friend of mine let me know. I am working out of state right now so I would not be able to attend the memorial service but please know I am thinking about the both of you. Randy was ALWAYS such a positive person - as I saw him frequently at the Pulse - I will remember him that way best!

Lisa Walters - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Randy was a burst of sunshine. He was always so positive and concerned for others. He had such great ideas and plans to help the community and was always there with a smile and a hug! You always knew when Randy was in the Clerk's MV office. He had lots of fans and friends that loved to see him and visit with him. As a neighbor and a friend we could never express the impact he had on our family through the years we have known him. Our hearts go out to your family as you mourn the loss of such a wonderful person.

Dane and Pam Nielsen - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Known Randy for many years and sold him parts for his Bobcat. Great guy and a lot of fun to be around. He was an inspiration and will be missed.

Dave Rairdon - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ I met Randy about 5 years ago at Pulse. He always had a smile, a hug, and encouraging words to share. We have lost our earthly angel but know that he is smiling down on us now and still encouraging us to keep our chins up. I will miss you Randy.

Kelly Martin - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I went to High School with Randy and always found him to be a kind caring person. I haven't talked to him for quite a while but feel he made an impression on my life. I will miss him.

Jim Siefken - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ We feel fortunate to have known Randy. His extraordinary strength and spirit have been such an inspiration. Truly, a special man!

Lisa and Lucas Dorr - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ We are so sorry for your loss. my sisters and I grew up with randy. blessings the bujack girls, linda, lenore and leslee

lenore bujack elliott - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ To Randy's family and friends, I met Randy in March of 2009 when he started coming to the Cancer Center. I schedule appointments for Drs. Myint and Lee. I was so impressed by Randy's love of life and positive attitude. While on my honeymoon in April 2009, I picked up a rubber bracelet with a saying on it; that reminded me of Randy so I brought it back for him. The saying was simple & I think it was what Randy was all about. When he would leave & reschedule an appt, we talked about motorcycles my husband has one, & his hobbies & crafts & the good things in life. He loved life! He teased me that I had remembered him on my honeymoon & brought him that bracelet. He was the most positive person I have ever met. I pray for his family & friends to find peace knowing that Randy was a blessing to everyone and I count myself as one of the fortunate that knew him. Oh, by the way, the bracelet said: 'Failure is not an option'. I don't believe he failed at anything. Respectfully, Donna

Donna Thompson - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ My deepest condolences to Randy's family and close friends. I have known Randy since 1996 working in natural foods stores all of the while. Randy was always upbeat while grocery shopping and he often brightened people's day. I have witnessed several interactions that Randy had with young children who were curious about his accident. He always told them a brief story and satisfied their curiosity making a life-long impact on the kids and folks like me who were only witnesses. Peace be with you and yours -- tania

tania - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ *Caring Thoughts of Sympathy Love knows no yesterday or tomorrow, no beginning or end... Love never changes. May you cherish the love that will be with you always. Deepest Sympathy Maryann and George A. "Andy" Hofferber*

George A & Maryann Hofferber - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *Wow, where to start about Randy Romer..... Inspiring, loving, self-deprecating, smart-aleck, loving, gentle, generous...did I mention loving?...funny, strong not just STRONG, but the WHOA-kinda strong!, determined, helpful, compassionate, loving....we could all go on and on. Thank you, Randy-Romer as I always called him, for being in our lives and letting us in yours. It is truly an honor to have been there. May God continue to bless you and your family with love and faith. I love you, RR!!*

Sandy Ernst Aldern - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *I met Randy a few months after my son Ramey committed suicide in 2005. As a man who had experienced great loss of his own, Randy provided me strength as I worked through the grieving process. We enjoyed long talks, rummaging through motorcycle junkyards, meals at the Rainbow Cafe, coffee at Starbucks always iced tea for Randy!, music, art, fitness and riding motorcycles. Randy was an amazing man with a very kind heart, and had a zest for life like no other person. I am lucky to have known Randy and I will miss him dearly. Randy will always have a special place in my heart.*

Lorie Menke - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ While on earth, Randy affected many people with his caring and wit. He will be missed. But God said it is time to come home.

Dick Macrum - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I first met Randy approximately 5 years ago at the gym. He has always had positive attitude and a joy to converse with. His passion for life never wavered and he continued to explore new challenges and experiences without reservation. His beautiful compassionate soul will be greatly missed by all.

Jeff Margolf - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Betty and family, My deepest sympathy in the death for Randy. He was a fellow classmate and friend. I cherish the things he made for me and the clock he made for my mom. It is so tragic. He had so much will and life. He beat the odds so many times. May all the great memories of him help you all get thru this. He is in a better place. God needed him up there to do alot of things. God Bless you all. Sincerely, Gail Meisner

Gail Meisner - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Randy was a great friend, we shared many memorable times and I will miss him as will Cody and Ebbie my grandchlidren rest in peace without pain

David K. Royer - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM