



Rex Lee Pomeroy

April 17, 1939 - April 18, 2010

Rex Lee Pomeroy, 71, of Fort Collins, passed away in his home on Sunday, April 18, 2010, after a courageous battle with cancer. Rex was born in Los Angeles, California on April 17, 1939 to Vera Roach and Kenneth W. Pomeroy. He graduated from George Washington High School, and spent time as a camp counselor, when he decided to dedicate his life to children. He achieved his teaching degree from Sterling College, in Sterling, Kansas, where he met the love of his life. He married Rose Ellen Treaster on July 14, 1963, in Sterling. Rex and Rosie both taught elementary school in Kansas for eight years. They were surprised by the birth of twin daughters in 1967. Their son was born in 1969, after which they moved to Fort Collins, Colorado. Rex dedicated 32 years to teaching, third, fourth, and fifth grades, 24 of them in Fort Collins at Barton and Shephardson elementary schools. He was a brave, patient, and kind teacher who is remembered by many students who were influenced by his caring over the years. His genuine love for children was inspiring and a constant source of happiness for him. He was very proud to receive the Madeline Hunter certificate and pin in recognition of his completion of the Mastery Teaching Program. He was greatly moved by the outpouring of correspondence from former students and colleagues during his illness. Rex was an avid CSU women's volleyball fan along with his wife; they held season tickets as long as they were offered. He volunteered countless hours at the Rocky Mountain Raptor Rehabilitation Center, and especially loved working with the owls. His deep bass voice resonated in the choir at Westminster

Presbyterian Church, where he was an active member, elder, and deacon. He was a life-long philatelist, collecting stamps and covers from Antarctica. After years of teaching and being enamored with Australia, he finally fulfilled one of his dreams by traveling there and to New Zealand with his wife and son, and was one of his most cherished memories. He battled stage four melanoma for a year with grace and courage, and died surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife, Rosie Pomeroy; his sister Gayle and her husband Gordon; his daughter Dawn and son-in-law Jeff Slifer; his daughter Kim and son-in-law Don Robuck; his son Marc and daughter-in-law Susan Pomeroy; seven grandchildren, and two cats. A viewing will be held on Tuesday, April 20, from 12 to 7 p.m. at Bohlender Funeral Chapel. A funeral service will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1709 W. Elizabeth, on Wednesday, April 21, at 2:00 p.m., with internment immediately following at Resthaven Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in Rex's name to Westminster Presbyterian Church, or to Pathways Hospice in care Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Ft. Collins, CO 80524.

Tribute Wall

GS

“ I just discovered this guestbook. I was a 5th grade student of Mr. Pomeroy in 1973-1974. My parents were divorced that year, and Mr. Pomeroy was so kind and supportive to me. I hadn't seen him in decades, but ran into him in the grocery store a few years ago. I'm not sure if he really remembered me, but I told him how much he had meant to me, and I'm so glad I had the chance to do that.

Gretchen Schiager - September 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Rosie, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. It was just a short time ago I saw you at Target and heard of Rex's diagnosis. Your loss in this life we live will never be filled, I know...but I also know through the years we played bunco together how close you are to your children, grandchildren and friends; they will be there to help fill the void. It is so fortunate that you and Rex got to live your dream of travel, remodeling your house and watching your family grow. So as we must do in times of sorrow and tragedy, we must count our blessings. All my very best to you and your loved ones. Debbie Alman

Debbie Alman - April 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Dear Pomeroy Family, My mother sent me the notice about your father. We are so sorry for your loss. Your father/husband touched many lives and will be missed. God speed, Mark Litzau

Mark Litzau - April 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Rembering such a great guy from H armony schoolwhere the overflow from Barton was held for a short time. I served as teacher aide to all three wonderful teachers Rex being one of them. He was a gentle,fine man & teacher. May your hearts be comforted by God and softened by your memories of him.

Nita Carson - April 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Dear Mrs. Pomeroy and family, I was Mr. Pomeroy's 5th grade student in 1973-1974. We had just moved to Colorado and I loved Mr. Pomeroy's class. I too am now a teacher and he is definately one of my role models. He was very relaxed when teaching, kind and always easy to approach. He will be missed.

Mary Dolliver - April 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ Dear Rosie and your family, My deep sympathy to all of you. I always enjoyed my contacts with Rex during our years with PSD.

Virginia Febinger - April 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Im so sorry to hear the bews and My thoughts and prays are with you and your family Greg

Greg Maynard - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ Our thoughts & Prayer are with you during this time of sorrow. We have many fond memories of Rex during our years together at Sterling and our visits with you in CO.

Russell & Judy Napier - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, make God's amazing love and peace be with you.

Brenda Schweizer - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ You're all just specially in our thoughts and prayers. We've been thru this w/both our dads but it's still hard. We're praying for your witness & example to other family members. Love you!

Don & Barb Caywood - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ My fondest memory of Rex is that when he was a baby, he laughed with his eyes closed so tight, that he would have to stop laughing to see if the rest of us were still laughing. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time of terrible sadness. Doug and Louise Smith

Louise Smith - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Rosie and family- I just heard about Rex's passing, from Mary, at Target. I'm so sorry for your loss! I didn't know Rex very well, but I enjoyed seeing his smiling face and chatting with him, when he would come to Target. He was a wonderful man, who loved his wife and family very much! I'm praying for God's peace, comfort and strength for you all.

Rachel Blandin - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Rosie My thoughts and prayers are with you. Kacy Thompson

Kacy Thompson - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I was in Mr. Pomeroy's 1974-1975 5th grade class at Barton Elementary. I will always remember him and be thankful for his teaching us about model rockets. That hobby gave me many hours of enjoyment as a kid and with my kids. Even this past summer, I built a rocket with my father-in-law. It was awesome. My deepest sympathy to Mr. Pomeroy's family. May he rest in peace. Terry Medearis

Terry Medearis - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ To Rosie and family - Our sincere condolences to you all. Rosie, when we saw you in September I would never have expected this. We enjoyed reading the stories and notes here about Rex. He was such a positive and peaceful person who brought so much joy to others. Our prayers are with Rex and all of you.

Gary Kilbourn, Yelena, and Nikita - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ To the Rex Pomery family, May all the wonderful memories of Rex fill the void that makes you feel so empty now. He had such a gentle spirit. May or loving God give you Peace. Love, Lois and Bill Mahoney

Lois and Bill Mahoney - April 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Rosie and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rex, may you now rest in peace. We will miss you. Jackie Gienapp

Jackie Gienapp - April 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I met Rex when I was six. We played together with the other kids in the neighborhood. When I was a freshman in high school a different one than Rex attended, he helped me with algebra. We lost touch when we were 17 and 18 but thankfully reconnected after 49 years. Even though we missed each other for all those many years, I still felt extremely close to Rex and will forever miss him. He was a good friend.

Gloria McConnell - April 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Rex always had a story to share, an ear to listen... and a smile to brighten my morning. Rex will be sorely missed. All my thoughts are with you, Rosie, and your family.

Brian Gleason - April 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM