



Rich D. Bircumshaw

June 30, 1954 - April 29, 2009

FORT COLLINS, Colo. – Touchdownwwwn, Colorado State! That's how many fans, all of whom considered him as much a part of the CSU family as any head coach, will remember Voice of the Rams Rich Bircumshaw, who passed away Wednesday night at the Medical Center of the Rockies in Loveland after suffering a stroke. Bircumshaw, 54, was a member of the Colorado State radio network since 1999, and had been the play-by-play voice of CSU football and men's basketball since 2002. Most recently, he had teamed up with Brian Roth and Kevin McGlue on the Rams' football broadcasts, and with former Rams standout Eric Frieauf at basketball games. The CSU athletic department knew Wednesday morning of Bircumshaw's stroke, suffered during his sleep on Tuesday night, and had been in close contact with his family before complications from the stroke claimed his life. "All of us in the Ram family, all across the country, are deeply saddened by Rich's passing," Paul Kowalczyk, Director of Athletics, said. "Rich had a wonderfully quirky sense of humor and the ability to connect with his listeners in a unique fashion. He was warm and genuine, and a friend to every student-athlete, coach and administrator. He made everyone feel like an All-American, no matter who they were. He's left us with many wonderful memories and will forever be a Ram." Many of those memories were as special to Bircumshaw, a Colorado and Wyoming broadcaster of the year on several occasions, as they were to the coaches and players who provided the material for his descriptions. Bircumshaw was the director of news operations for Clear Channel of Northern Colorado,

providing morning news and sports updates for thousands of radio listeners each morning, but those who knew him best would testify that, professionally, he treasured his role as the Voice of the Rams more than anything else. "We have lost a dear friend in Rich," said CSU men's basketball Head Coach Tim Miles. "It was very apparent, something that I noticed right after I met him, that it wasn't the job that mattered to Rich, but it was the Rams family that he truly cared about. When we won, he felt like he had won. And when we lost, he lost. Most of all, he was a tremendous person and a great friend to all of us in the program." Willing to serve CSU unselfishly as a public ambassador for the ideals of the athletic department on a daily basis, he volunteered as an emcee for dozens of CSU events each year. And when he wasn't speaking to large audiences, he was having quality one-on-one conversations with people. In more than a decade with the Rams, countless players, coaches and staff came to know him as more than their broadcaster. They came to know him genuinely as a friend and supporter. "I really will remember him as a kind and giving person," football Head Coach Steve Fairchild said. "We became very close this past year, getting together every week for my radio show. He did for us what we ask of our coaches and players: He just gave everything he had for Colorado State. And you never heard him ask for anything in return. He was always upbeat, didn't complain, and he just supported us unconditionally. I know that's how he would want to be remembered, and that's how he will be remembered, because it's the truth. He was our No. 1 fan." But Bircumshaw was more than a CSU guy. His relationship-building skills were not constrained by any CSU rivalry, or any state line. Many of his friends were in Wyoming, where he spent most of his career broadcasting at Riverton and Casper stations before moving to Fort Collins, or Utah, where he grew up. Humble to the core, at the end of each broadcast, he never forgot to thank the behind-the-scenes people, including the student-assistants who kept stats, making them feel important. Born June 30, 1954, in Park City, Utah, he is survived by his wife Wendy Lange, his sister Roberta King, brother John and sister-in-law Georgia, nephew Christopher and nieces Jennifer and Angela, as

well as numerous great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mary D. and Richard F. Bircumshaw of Salt Lake City.

Bircumshaw, who said on several occasions that he had the quintessential face for radio, knew that friendship was more than skin deep. He counted among his friends legendary coaches such as Sonny Lubick, NBA and NFL stars who had their roots at Colorado State or Wyoming, and current and former governors. He met future President Barack Obama in Fort Collins last fall, and knew hundreds of professional and college sports celebrities. But throughout his three-plus decades in broadcasting, since his origins as a high-school announcer in Riverton, Wyo., he came in contact with junior-high athletes, fourth-string offensive linemen, and walk-on forwards, and gave each one the same level of respect and authentic interest he would use to address any superstar. That did not go unnoticed, and will perhaps be his lasting legacy. And for those fans, many who turned down the volume on their televisions, who knew him only through his matchless descriptions of CSU action, Bircumshaw left his listeners with an amazing memory: One of his final calls in the CSU football booth, describing the signature play of the 2008 season, Gartrell Johnson's fourth-quarter run to solidify CSU's 40-35 triumph over Fresno State in the 2008 New Mexico Bowl, Dec. 20. "Give off to Gartrell, off the left side, he's got the 30, he's got the 40, at midfield, he's in the open, Gartrell, go, at the 40, at the 30, at the 20, at the 10, the 5...Gartrell Johnson...touchdownwwwn, Colorado State!! Gartrell Johnson just went the distance. He just went 77 yards!" A visitation will be held at Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, in Fort Collins Sunday, 1-5 p.m. A celebration of life will be held, Monday, 1 p.m. at Blessed John 23rd University Center, 1220 University Ave, Ft. Collins, CO 80524 In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in the name of Rich Bircumshaw to the Colorado State General Athletic Scholarship Fund. Checks should be made payable to the CSU Foundation, and sent to the Ram Club Office, 101 McGraw Athletic Center; Fort Collins, CO 80523-0120. For more information, call 970/491-4666.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ *My condolences to your family. Rich will be missed by these RAM Fans.*

Rachel & Henry Sofa'i - May 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *I was so very shocked and saddened to hear of Rich's passing. I started listening to KCOL a few years ago and always liked Rich's professional voice but his sense of humor is what made me love him. I'm sorry that I never got to meet him but someday I'm sure we will meet in heaven. My heartfelt condolences to Rich's family and close friends.*

Sandy Howlett - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Our family would like to thank everyone for your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. They have been very helpful, encouraging and inspiring to us. We have all lost a loved one and a friend. Rich, you have touched all of us and we all want you to "HAVE A GREAT CALL". xoxoxo*

John Bircumshaw - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Reuben and I wish to extend our condolences and sympathy to all of Rich's family. We were very saddened to hear of his untimely death. We knew Rich years ago when we lived in Riverton, Wy. We will always have a fond memory of him broadcasting games for the Riverton Wolverines in Tonkin Stadium and also for his colorful coverage of Legion baseball. After moving to Ft. Collins our family was thrilled to be able to hear Rich's play by play for the CSU Rams. He will be deeply missed but his memory will live on forever. What a wonderful and caring person he was. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless, Reuben and Rosalee Blumenshine

Rosalee Blumenshine - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ On behalf of everyone in our office who got to meet Rich, we're sure sorry and saddened to hear this news. He was a damn good Ram, that's for sure.

Alfredo Moreno, University of New Mexico media relations - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ I am just in shock. I've known Rich for a decade and he was one of the all time gentlemen and friends. I am just heart sick.

Natalie Meisler, Denver Post - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ What terrible news for a guy who most Rams probably consider a part of their family even more than any coach the school could have employed. Just a tremendous man. He will be missed.

Tom Lacock, Rivals.com - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ He was a great guy and always brought a smile to my face. I looked forward to seeing him when we played in football or he came to town in men's basketball. Rich and everyone at Colorado State is in my thoughts.

Mark Cohen, TCU Media Relations - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I saw the news report on Rich's passing this morning. So sad and unexpected. This has been a tough week for the MWC radio broadcast family. Please pass my condolences along to the rest of the CSU staff and Rich's family.

Kim Melcher, MWC Director of Communications - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ I'm so bummed to hear this, although I was prepared last night for the worst because I had heard from everyone that it was really grave. Please know I'm thinking of everyone up there – that is a huge loss for our Ram family.

Susie Wargin, 9News Morning Sports Anchor - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Sincere condolences from all of us at CU... we've lost a good, honest hard-working man.

David Plati, University of Colorado - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Terrible news. My condolences to the CSU athletic family and to Rich's loved ones. He was one of the truly good guys in the league.

Steve Carp, Las Vegas Review-Journal - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ I have known of Rich Bircumshaw since I was in the eighth grade I grew up listening to him call my hometown Riverton Wyo. High School football and basketball games on radio. I'll never forget when I was a sophomore in high school bumping into him at the grocery store and he said “Hi Steve.” I was shocked and yet so proud that Rich knew who I was. But that was Rich. He knew everyone and never had an ego. He talked to everybody. I had the privilege to later work with him at the radio station and by his side in the broadcast booth. We was a tremendous mentor who quickly became one of my dearest friend. He was truly my hero and the reason I wanted to become a broadcaster. He introduced me to Kevin McKinney and through Rich's persuasion and Kevin's leadership I was able to work my way up in the profession. Rich was always my biggest cheerleader and supporter, which meant so much to me because I idolized him for his incredible talents and the way he treated people. He was loved by so many, even those who may never have had the pleasure to met him. My small hometown has been rocked with the loss of Rich and another dear friend in the community in the last 48 hours. I will never forget all of the great things Rich did for me both personally and professionally. Most of all, I will miss his voice and the passion that came from it. He had the ability to become a friend of anyone who heard his voice on the radio and his talents for painting pictures with his words and connecting with people was truly remarkable. I will most miss his sense of humor, friendship and, of course, that special voice. He's a true treasure and will surely be missed by the Ram faithful.

Steve Weakland, Fresno State Athletics - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LU

“ Oh no. That is terrible. Rich was a great guy and his brother is a good friend of mine. That is so sad.

Liz Abel, University of Utah - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *I'm very sad today.*

Tony Phifer, fmr. asst. Sports Editor, Coloradoan - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *My heart goes out to everyone who was privileged enough to know or work with Rich! I am saddened by the loss of such a great man. I can't imagine stepping onto the CSU basketball arena or football field without seeing Rich's smiling face!*

Macradee Aegerter, KGWN TV Sports Director/News Room Manager - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ *I'm just sick. "Kicked in the gut" is right. When Tim texted me last night and told me Rich died, I felt like I was kicked in the gut. God bless.*

Renaud L. Notaro - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ *Please let Rich's family know thoughts and prayers are with them from the Academy.*

Troy Calhoun, U.S. Air Force Academy - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ *Very sad news coming from Colorado State. Rich was a great ambassador for our league and always loved the Academy.*

Troy Garnhart, U.S. Air Force Academy - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I am saddened terribly to learn of the passing of the Voice of CSU sports, and the biggest supporter of CSU in every other way possible. Rich was an incredible broadcaster, who I enjoyed knowing for several years after he came to CSU. I always enjoyed a few moments spent chatting with him in the press box before or after a RAMS home football or basketball game. Even though I retired from the newspaper business a couple years ago, I still follow CSU sports closely and through Rich, on the radio through CSU Sports Network, was at every football and basketball game I could possibly listen to. He will be greatly missed by many, myself included, from his morning audience as he gave us the news from Fort Collins, Loveland and Greeley, better than anyone else in the area. He loved his profession, it showed in every broadcast and it was an honor to have known him. My thoughts are with Rich's family and his extended CSU family tonite as word of his passing no doubt spreads coast to coast.

John Epperson, former Denver Post - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I've never had a friend die before. I've had relatives pass away as well as people I knew in passing or was close to at one time, but never someone whom I had just seen two weeks ago. That changed last night when Rich Bircumshaw passed away after suffering a stroke in the early hours of Wednesday morning. The death of "the King" as he was known around the radio stations he worked for, was sudden, unexpected and knocked me off of my feet. Rich, who absolutely hated being called Rick and was often, was one of the greatest guys I have ever met. Sure, he could be a real S.O.B. if he was pissed off at you, but if he cared about you at all, then he cared about you forever. He had a fuse that could be lit by a passing breeze and a wit that was even quicker. Anybody who has met Rich, heard him on the radio, or attended a function hosted by him has smiled at least once because of something he said. Whether it was hearing that Cecil Sapp was "a grown man, dog" as he scored a touchdown or he deemed someone "worth the climb", Rich always had a way with words that could leave you shaking your head while your lips creased into a grin. His voice was truly unique in its sound and the message it delivered. Because of his work as the News Director at Clear Channel Northern Colorado and as the Voice of the CSU Rams, Rich was known and revered all over Ft. Collins, Greeley, and all points in between. He related to the big-timers just the same as the common man or woman, giving them respect if they deserved it and letting them know if they didn't. For me, he was a mentor and an advocate. He was a part of many memorable and funny lunches. He was a part of many lunches that were nothing but blowing off steam. He was a bevy of quotes. He was a belly of laughs. He was a true friend if you were lucky enough to call him that. There is no doubt in my mind that Rich got up to Heaven and Peter read off the list of people as they walked in. "Okay, next let's go to Rick Bircumshaw." "Uh, it's Rich, Saint Pete." "Oh, you're right, Rich." Rich, you were awesome, man. You will always be missed and loved. The world is worse off without you.

Corbu Stathes - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I was devastated to hear about Rich. My condolences to the CSU family. Rich was a great guy and a great ambassador for CSU. He was also a Cowboy and his death really hit people hard up here. Wyoming and CSU has always had a great .. and bitter rivalry ... but when something like this happens it really hits home of what is truly important in life. God bless and our prayers are with Rich, his family and to all those who were close to him at CSU.

Bob Hammond, Laramie Boomerang - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ We were so sad to hear about Rich's untimely passing. We really enjoyed spending time with him whenever the Utes and Rams or Cowboys got together, and had great respect for the job he did. Every time you talked to him, he put a smile on your face. Rich was a one of the best at what he did, a consummate pro, and a wonderful person. We will miss him greatly.

Mike Lageschulte, Bill Marcroft and the Utah Radio Network crew - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I enjoyed my brief encounters with him. He had a way of really making me feel important and appreciated, I am convinced he had the same effect on everyone he met. I wish I had told him how much of a comfort he was to me in Iraq. I would tune into his broadcasts on Yahoo while I was over there, his voice made me feel like I was in Colorado, not Iraq. I had a great time hanging out and getting to know him in Minneapolis, the highlight of my trip was actually being on the Colorado State Network talking to Rich about my deployment and the Rams football team. If there is anything Kirstin and I can do, do not hesitate to let us know. Justin Justin Rich 315 486 9889

Justin Rich - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ We share the feeling of sadness and loss with the city of Fort Collins, the CSU Ram family, and especially Rich's family. He was loved and respected highly. His devotion to the Rams showed in his voice. His recaps were the highlight of our trips home from Hughes Stadium or Moby Gym. He looked on the positive side, even if the Rams lost. His player interviews were always encouraging. His Ram pride showed through clearly. He made being a Ram Fan special. We loved hearing the excitement in his voice during the play by play. It makes us smile to remember one the time he was talking to a fellow broadcaster before a game. He referred to himself as having a great "radio face." In our books he was a beautiful man, inside and out. Heaven has a wonderful new voice! Sincerely, Janie & Bill Arnold

Janie & Bill Arnold - May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I have truly lost a dear friend. I first met Rich Bircumshaw during my days at KSL Radio in Salt Lake City. As studio hosts for gameday broadcasts, we shared quite a bit of audio, stats, and other bits of information. But it was him asking me how things were going in my budding sports broadcast career, with my family and other questions that made it a visit between friends rather than a routine exchange of information. In an era where so many sportscasters have huge egos and think the game is about them, Rich definitely was not of that mold. He was humble and was grateful for the opportunities afforded him, for he had truly paid his dues. And when I was named as Weber State's play-by-play announcer, I always tried to remember Rich's example. May his family be uplifted by the Atonement of the Savior in knowing that they will see him again. God Bless.

Scott C. Miller - May 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ You will be deeply missed

Jessica Goins - May 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ To make people laugh is truly a gift...a gift that Rich used to make Fort Collins a better place. Authentic and kind, Rich will be greatly missed.

Kim Newcomer - May 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ I didn't know Rich that well, but when we worked together on CSU stories, he would tell me frequently that I was his "favorite" in the PR office. I laugh now because I realize Rich made everyone feel that special - and here I thought I was something else! : He truly loved people and, like my husband, loved his Rams. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Rich's family, in the months ahead. Know that he will always be loved in our hearts at CSU.

Emily Wilmsen - May 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Although I only met Rich this year and talked to him about a half dozen times, I can hoestly say that he is one of the most interesting and kindest persons I have known. I introduced myself to him and right away he took up the conversation and made me feel like a friend of his instantly. He was able to live a dream that many of us who have a passion for sports also have dreamed. I only wish I had gotten to spend more time with him.

Jan Goldstein - May 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ *The Voice of The Rams has been silenced. However, the memory of Rich will long be remembered. A good, good man. We appreciated his positive words. We will always treasure his keen wit, dedication to CSU and the student athletes, and his genuine interest and care for others.*

Carol and Brian Zick - May 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *In a world of too many pretenders, Rich was easily one of the most decent, loyal, "true" people I ever met in over 20 years in athletics. What a great guy he was. God, the belly laughs we shared; at countless Wyoming high school athletic events, at poker games, on the street chasing the same sports stories. I haven't seen him in over 25 years, but this one hurts and saddens. Celebrate this life, people, because he did it right. From: Jeff Minahan, former sports editor, Riverton Ranger, who got his fanny kicked by Rich on a daily basis and was proud to consider him a great friend.*

Jeff Minahan - May 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *I was lucky enough to hear his voice on the radio everyday. He will always be the standard for CSU athletics and the solid voice behind the news. He was also an occasional customer at my restaurant. He was very humble about his professional life. Something I still don't understand since he was the best I have ever had the pleasure to hear. He always showed a great amount of respect for me and my crew. His passing has touched me very deeply and I will miss him and his work a great deal. He was a great man full of passion, knowledge, respect and honor. He was a great man. Cheers Rich.*

Paul Michaelsen - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I NEVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OR KNOW RICH PERSONALLY, BUT I WAS ALWAYS LISTENING TO HIM ON THE CSU BROADCAST AND NEWS AND SPORTS BROADCAST. I DO WISH THAT I WOULD HAVE KNOWN HIM BECAUSE I WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH HIM AND HIS PERSONALITY ON THE BROADCASTS. WE HAVE DEFINITELY LOST AN "ICON". HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. MY PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY.

JERRY BRUMIT - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Simply put, Rich was the best of the best. He was one of the rare people on earth that could change your mood for the better in a second, with a simple hug or signature wisecrack, and moreover, he always seemed to seek you out, somehow sensing you needed him. Many will remember his work as the voice of CSU or his many contributions on the radio. I will remember him as absolutely the first person to call when you needed a word of reassurance, without fail. A guy that wouldn't leave the room without giving you a fist bump. A guy who always had to leave you on good terms. I am so thankful and grateful for his life and how it touched so many of us. He and his family, and especially Wendy, are in my heart today.

Chris Kelly - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ I met Rich years ago at KLO radio in Ogden, Utah. He made me feel welcome from day one, and we became good friends. Thanks to my job with the University of Utah Rich and I crossed paths at football and basketball games. It was great to catch up and compare stories. Rich was genuine, honest, and a real "Broadcasting" pro. He will be sorely missed!

Brad Stone - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ Rich, you will be greatly missed . No one was as giving, friendly and fun loving as you were. Your loss is immense and your smile will never be forgotten . May the party carry on...

Vicky Fanea-Burnett - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ We were so sad to hear of Rich's passing- what a shock to those of us who bleed green and gold. Rich was a friend of my dad's Chuck Blazek and took the time to visit him in the hospital after he suffered a stroke. It was because of people like Rich that dad was able to recover and resume his volunteer role at CSU basketball and football games. Upon hearing about Rich's death, I had a vision of Rich and Dad sitting at a table in heaven yucking it up about the Ramies and how Gary Ozollo had better keep everyone in line. We will miss you Rich-Blessings to Rich's family. Jill and Steve Ronen

Jill Ronen - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Wendy and the family, Rich's passing is a terrible shock. Your loss is shared by all who knew him. His humor, sincerety and genuine caring for others will be remembered by all whose lives he touched. When we left "Ram Country" four years ago, "Mr Ram" kept us in the loop. His calls would always make the day seem a little brighter. When we would get together, those hugs and fistbumps were just a delight - how they will be missed! The Voice is gone, but certainly will not be forgotten.

Doug & Jeanette Roseberry - May 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ When I moved to Fort Collins from Casper in June of 2000 it was a very stressful time in my life. I remember checking out the radio stations and couldn't believe my ears when I heard Rich's voice on the local airwaves! Hearing his voice in this town that was new to me was so comforting. His humor and dedication to community involvement were appreciated by many from Casper to the Colorado Front Range. My heart goes out to his family.

Lisa Pfizenmaier - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ I am shocked and deeply saddened to hear about our community's loss. Rich was warm, funny, reassuring, and kind. He could put anyone at ease. I loved working with him. He was a consummate interviewer and a fair reporter who stuck to the facts. I know he loved the sportscasting best, but he was a very good journalist-- probably not even realizing himself how well he did that part of his job. I will miss his stories, humor, and his voice on my phone saying, "So, got any news for me?" And, of course, there was his magical radio voice! My condolences to his family. We share your grief and loss.

Kara Lamb - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Rich was a delight to know and work with and an excellent reporter. He worked with many of us in the public information field on a regular basis and will be very much missed.

Deni La Rue - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I cannot tell you how many times Rich helped us at the Forest Service Report about fires, bark beetles and safety in the woods. He was great and we always looked forward to his calls, no matter the issue. My heart goes out to his family. I am sorry for your loss.

Mary Ann Chambers - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I had the pleasure of working with Rich as he reported CSU news for many years. He will be greatly missed as a reporter and friend.

Dell Rae Moellenberg - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GO

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MN

“ I heard about Rich last night and just wanted to send my condolences to his family and everyone there at CSU. I am really going to miss him, he really was a part of the team on road trips and just talking to him about anything. I'm going to miss those fist bumps when you walk on the bus and his great personality on and off the radio. he was a great interviewer and one of the things I looked forward to after a win was talking to him and seeing how he was just as excited as we were. He was really a valuable member of the CSU family and he will not be easily replaced.

matt nelson - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Rich was truly one of a kind. He will be greatly missed, both as a reporter and friend.

Kelly DiMartino - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ I so loved listening to him on the radio in the morning when he would cover the news. I can't tell you how many times he had me laughing. My thoughts are with his family. God Bless you all.

Denice O. - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My deepest sympathy to the Bircumshaw family. Rich was a great person and will be greatly missed. I will especially miss hearing his voice on the radio during the day and during the games. I first met him in Riverton Wyo. and when I moved to Ft. Collins it was nice to hear his familiar voice. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Rhonda BlumenshineCarmichael

Rhonda Carmichael - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Rich was a wonderful brother in law. I will miss you R.I.P.*

cindy Essen - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM