



## Robert Roper

December 25, 1929 - February 9, 2011

Robert Bob Roper born in Grand Junction, Colorado on December 25, 1929, died in Fort Collins on February 9, 2011 after a long illness. As he wished, he died at home surrounded by his family. He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary and six children: Randy Roper Pam, Debra Jensen Keld, Cheryl Richards Javi Gomez, Sydney Wolf John Howell, Laura Okada Lance, and Jaial Amrit, plus 18 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Bob had a rewarding career as a management consultant in the shipbuilding industry, for financial institutions and the job corps among others. He wrote proposals and management systems which he instituted in shipyards on coasts from Oregon to Maine and abroad. Bob was an avid scholar of history and philosophy and a gifted writer and speaker. He was well respected by his peers for his many contributions to industry. All will miss his brilliant mind, humor and wise council even as we treasure his written novels, essays and the beautiful poetry he left for us. There will be a celebration of life for friends and family at the Roper home in Fort Collins on Sunday, February 20, 2011 at 2:00 PM. A special thank you is due to Dr. James Darrisaw and Dr. William Lopez for their compassionate care. Memorial Contributions can be made to Pathways Hospice in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524. We thank their staff for the kindness and the expert comfort - care that made Bob's last months the best they could be.

# Tribute Wall

CB

“*Mary and family, Guy and I were so sorry to hear of your loss. Both of us have such fond memories of our "antique" encounters with you both. We feel very fortunate to have known Bob. He will be missed. Take care.*

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**cathy boyd** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“*I feel fortunate to come from such a character. I remember that PapaBob was always quick to smile and listened as well as he spoke.*

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**Joel Williams** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MG

“*Dear Mary and Family, We are sorry to know of Bob's passing, and we extend our sympathy at this time which must be very difficult for you all. Mac and Gail*

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**Mac and Gail** - February 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JN

“*I'm sorry Mary. He was an elegant man with exquisite taste in shoes. Jeff*

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**Jeff Neppel** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ I am sorry to hear about Bob's passing. I know I am a better person for knowing both of you. You both have given me a greater understanding of life through our discussions throughout the years. The world needs more "hippies" like you guys. Thanks to both of you! Always, Ed Robison

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**Ed Robison** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ To Mary, We are all thinking of you and your family at this time. We are hoping that you take care of yourself and do well. It has been a tough journey of recent for you and Bob. Our thoughts are with you.  
-Foothills & Ray Physical Therapy

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**Jeff Ray, PT** - February 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I was sad to hear about Bob's passing. I have spent time reflecting on my memories of Mr. Bob. I chuckle every time I hear the word scrod and no, I have not tried it yet. I laugh every time I think of that man peeing in the room next to us! I loved Mr. Bob's humor, kindness & compassion. I am a better person for knowing Mr. Bob! My sincere sympathy goes out to you Mary and the family.

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**Jody Crider** - February 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ We often think about Bob and Mary and the enjoyment we have derived from knowing them. Their knowledge of antique furnishings was greatly complimented by Bob's appreciation for and understanding of American history. Being in his presence was like sitting in the most enjoyable history class that one might imagine, taught by a gifted teacher with a great sense of humor. One as gifted as Bob will be deeply missed by all who knew him. We extended our deepest sympathy to Bob's family with the hope that they will forever enjoy and cherish the wisdom, humor and fun that he shared with them.

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**Bill & Janee Lentz** - February 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM