



R. Mark Smith

April 17, 1956 - September 28, 2024

Robert Mark Smith, known to his loved ones as Mark, passed away on September 28, 2024. He was 68.

Mark was born on April 17, 1956, in Fort Collins, Colorado, where he spent his life surrounded by family, friends, and the beauty of the community he cherished.

Mark grew up in Fort Collins and attended Barton elementary school, Leshar junior high, and Fort Collins high school ('74). Mark continued his education by earning his bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Colorado. His love for Fort Collins stayed with him throughout his life, especially enjoying bike rides through town and frequent visits to the CSU dog park, where he found joy and connection in nature and with friends and his beloved dogs.

Mark had a long and fulfilling career with Steele's Market, where he began as a sacker and worked his way up to human resources management for various Steele's stores. After his time with Steele's, Mark pursued additional careers in the banking and jewelry industries.

Mark's greatest passion was his dogs. Over the years, Roofus, Jake, and Shady were his loyal companions, sharing in his adventures and offering unconditional love. He had a unique bond with each of them and cherished

their presence in his life.

Mark is survived by his son, Evan Smith; daughter, Katie Smith; and sister, Linda Ingram (Bill). He was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Shirley Smith; his brothers, Steve and Ron Smith; and his beloved wife, Pam Smith.

Mark's family and friends will forever remember him for his kind spirit, hilarious sense of humor, his love of antiques, and his deep connection to the community of Fort Collins. He will be dearly missed. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your favorite dog rescue.

A celebration of life will be held at Edora Park Picnic area #1 (1420 E. Stuart Street Fort Collins CO. 80525) To be held on 09/14/2025 at 2pm

Tribute Wall

MP

“ My friendship with Mark started in the nursery at St Luke’s church. We were both 4 or 5 years old. Our paths crossed over the years and we’d catch up when I would see him at Steele’s. Such a kind man with a great smile! My sincere condolences to his family.

Maggie Payne - August 29, 2025 at 10:39 PM

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“ MARK’S CELEBRATION OF LIFE. Sunday, September 14. 2-4. Edora Park Shelter #1. 1420 East Stuart St, Fort Collins

Linda Ingram - August 11, 2025 at 01:29 PM

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“ We are very sad to learn of Mark’s passing. We were fortunate to form a special friendship with him after meeting at the dog park shortly after we moved to the area. We instantly connected—so did our dogs, Shady and Moxie. We shared many memories over dinners at local restaurants and Mark’s frequent, thoughtful visits. He quickly became our pup’s favorite friend and babysitter. Even after we moved away, we kept in touch through the years. We miss Mark’s kind heart and sense of humor. We are so grateful for the memories we shared.
-Lindsey and Peter

Lindsey - July 15, 2025 at 12:32 PM

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Hi Lindsey and Peter...I remember Mark talking about you and Moxie. He REALLY missed you when you moved. Linda (sister)

Linda Ingram - July 15, 2025 at 01:59 PM

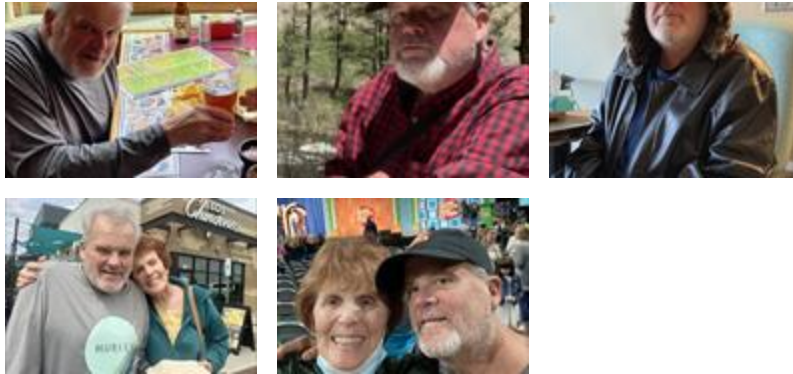
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Linda Ingram - August 11, 2025 at 01:27 PM



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Bohlender Funeral Chapel - November 13, 2024 at 11:52 AM

CK

“ Russ and I are just learning of Mark's passing and are deeply saddened. He was a valued Steele's Markets associate and a kind, caring man who always brought understanding and empathy to the Steele's human resources department and its employees. Our deepest condolences to his children, Katie and Evan, and his sister, Linda. We hope to attend his celebration of life this coming spring.

Carol Ann Kates

Carol Ann Kates - November 12, 2024 at 03:46 PM

JH

“ I worked with Mark in the office at Steele's Market for many years. He was a great story teller, and I still remember some of his best that had us rolling on the floor. He told a story of egg salad sandwiches that Pam made him, not knowing he hated them. He would throw them out the window of his car early in the morning on his way to work because he didn't want to hurt her feelings telling her he wouldn't eat them. His story of driving his father-in-law's (I think) RV back from Mexico after he had a heart attack while on vacation was priceless. His description of problems on the road and dangers faced had us in tears, laughing. I wish I was as good a story teller as Mark. He was kind, funny and great to work with. Evan and Katie, we heard so many stories about you both as he loved you very much. I'm so sorry he passed too soon, he was a wonderful man.

Janet Hackleman - October 26, 2024 at 09:18 PM

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Linda Ingram - August 11, 2025 at 01:28 PM



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Bohlender Funeral Chapel - October 18, 2024 at 10:31 AM

BB

“ *Mark was a kind, gentle, soul. He will be greatly missed, by all who knew him.* ”



bill bradshaw - October 14, 2024 at 08:43 PM

EB

He was kind. He had it all when I knew him at Lesher.

Eric Bard - October 23, 2024 at 01:32 AM

FI

Mark was kind and genuine. I am so sad to hear of his passing. My deepest condolences to his families and loved ones. Fun memories working at Safari Night Club back in High School. You will be missed.



Fran Intlekofer - April 11, 2025 at 09:52 PM

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Linda Ingram - August 11, 2025 at 01:29 PM

MA

“ *Condolences to the Smith family and relatives.* ”



Martin - October 09, 2024 at 05:35 PM



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Linda Ingram - August 11, 2025 at 01:29 PM