



Robert Joseph Smithdas

June 7, 1925 - July 17, 2014

Robert Joseph Smithdas of Fort Collins. Born June 7, 1925. Died July 17, 2014. Mass of Christian Burial, Friday, 2:00 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Church. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Helen Keller National Center, C/O Bohlander Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524. To view full life story and to send condolences, please visit Bohlanderfuneralchapel.com. Full obituary will be posted soon.

Tribute Wall

FW

“ I grew up in Floral Park, NY Long Island and was was a Sewanhaka High School student from 1951-1955. That's where I "met" Bob Smithdas when he spoke in the auditorium. I'm now 77, and still remember him. He made quite an impression on me. He overcame what most people would consider unsurmountable adversity. And had a life well-lived.

Frances Weber - August 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TZ

“ Michelle, a message of humility you and Bob conveyed all these years is that you found your calling helping hundreds to reach a greater potential ~ and joy in your love for each other. Funny, isn't it? Though you cannot see, yet both of you have brought illumination to this world. What a legacy, and I pray the light Bob has left will lovingly carry you through.

Tzuzana - July 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

OP

“ We would just like you to know how much we cared for Robert and his great impression on us. Our thoughts are with you all in the loss of this great man. Nurses and staff at PVH outpatient infusion

Outpatient Infusion PVH - July 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CI

“ Dear Michelle, I just wanted to reach out to let you know how sorry I am for this great loss for you and all of us. Bob was such a wonderful and delightful man. He was the type of "character" one never forgets after the initial meeting. All the times we spent at AADB and my many years of working alongside him at HKNC are memories I will cherish forever. He touched my life in ways that I didn't even realize were possible. Thank you so much for sharing him with us and for taking such great care of him during the sunset years of his life. May God give you comfort and peace during this very difficult time and may you know His grace and mercy daily. Peace and Blessings, Cynthia

Cynthia L. Ingraham - July 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ The world has lost a true hero. Michelle, and all of the family, Hugh and I are thinking of you and sending prayers. May God comfort you. We have been blessed and privileged to know Bob.

Jeanne Glidden Prickett - July 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Dear Michelle, You are in our thoughts and prayers. It was an honor to know Bob. Nancy and I send our love to you.

John Mascia - July 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Michelle , I really sorry lost your husband . I know bob is very wonderful man . I miss him. I will pray with your family. God bless you family. I love your family. Love, sis in law Debbie Craig

Debbie Craig - July 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RA

I got to spend some time with my great uncle Bob in Manhattan when I was only 5 years old. He left a huge lasting impression on my life and my dad Jerome Adams often told us stories of his amazing feats and challenges overcome. One of my favorite stories is of Bob taking my dad out drinking in lower Manhattan, as the story goes my dad being on military leave at the time got so drunk that he didn't know where he was; My blind and deaf great uncle managed to get my dad safely to his townhouse , so amazing ...I am an educator and use many references to Robert Joseph Smithdas when faced with challenges as well as when teaching about the blind and deaf.

Ruth Adams - May 03, 2016 at 12:42 PM