



Thomas E. Alber, Sr.

July 4, 1935 - August 18, 2014

Thomas E. Alber, Sr. was a beloved husband, father, son, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He was born July 4, 1935 in Breckenridge, CO and passed away Monday, August 18, 2014 at his home in Berthoud. He is a 3rd generation Colorado native, growing up in Minturn and Salida, CO. Tom was a veteran and served in the United States Army. After leaving the service, he attended Colorado State University. He was an assistant manager at Safeway when he met the love of his life, Loretta A Foster Alber. Tom left Safeway to pursue his restaurant management career of 38 years at the Charco Broiler. Tom and Loretta raised 3 children, Thomas Alber, Jr., Aletha Alber Smith, and Don Alber. This grew the family giving them multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Tom and Loretta retired in 1997, and moved to their dream property in Red Feather Lakes, Colorado, where Tom loved spending time with his family and friends. They sold this home to move closer to family during a battle of cancer only to learn again what wonderful children and grandchildren they have. Tom was a strong influence in the restaurant at the Charco Broiler with many a night his family would wake to employees and restaurant patrons on the couch because they needed a home for the evening. Tom is survived by his wife Loretta; sons, Tom and Don; daughter, Aletha; grandchildren, Tilan and husband, Jeff and 4 children, Joseph, Jakob and Zakary; his brother and sister-in-law, Michael and Marie Alber, sister-in-law, Hazel Pahl as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edwin and Aletha

Alber; brother, Jimmy; sister, Dawn; and son-in-law, R. Keith Smith. Please join us for a celebration of life at Tom, Jr. and Suzanne Alber's home on September 13, 2014 at 2:00 in Laporte, CO. Please bring a side dish to share. Thanks.

Tribute Wall

DB

“ *All of Tom's Family, I am sorry for your loss. Tom was a good, kind man. We were friends for 65 years. Many things about him that I'll miss, but his dry wit comes to mind first. Take good care of each other. Don Bement*

Don Bement - October 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Alber Family, I am so sorry for you loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. What great memories of Tom and all of you in the old neighborhood and at the Charcol Broiler! May the wonderful memories comfort you all. Kim*

Kim Steffen-Brauch - September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Dear Loretta and Family...Tom was a good guy, as we all know. I have great memories of working with Tom, my manager at the Charco Broiler during the 80's. The continued success of the CB is his legacy. Tom ran a tight ship and didn't take any guff from his employees or customers, but at the same time he created a fun and dynamic place to work, dine & drink. I thoroughly enjoyed working with Tom; he was funny, feisty and fair, and he truly cared for his people and for the Charco Broiler. I am thankful that we got together again for breakfasts at the CB and for one last time at Edie's house. Take comfort in your happy memories and for the good times with Tom!*

Cristie Hain Lee - September 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RB

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AH

“ I am so very sorry to hear about Toms death. I have wonderful memories of Tom and Loretta. Working at the Charco Broiler with them was some of the best years of my life. My deepest symphathy to the entire Alber family

Arlys Hardy - September 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ We loved Tom and his good Humor,bright blue eyes,and always a big smile on his face. We enjoyed the Red Feather cabin and All of the Alber Family. He is with our Lord and savior and all who went on before him. We were blessed to haven known Tom. Our sympathies go out to his loved ones.

Ron & sharon McCrimmon - September 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Tom @ Suzanne We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our hearts and prayers. May you rest in the knowledge that Tom is now in the presence and love of our God in Heaven Betty @ Jerry Swann Bellvue,

Betty @ Jerry Swann - September 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Alber family, So sorry to hear of your loss - Tom was such a nice man. The wonderful memories and love will help you through this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care of each other!

Karen Meyer Brayden - September 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss. You were our wonderful neighbors on Buttonwood Drive for many years. Jim, Kathy, David, and Karen Ferry

Jim Ferry & family - September 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Tom. Vic and Betty Huttenmeyer

Vic and Betty Huttenmeyer - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ We were so sorry to hear about the death of Tom. Lynn has so many fond memories of the times at Charco Broiler with Tom and Gib. My memories center on when he came to Mitchell with Charco Broiler folks and served as our bartender on our wedding day. What a special time for us. We both always enjoyed seeing him when we were in Ft. Collins prior to his retirement. Our prayers are with you all.

Lynn and Julie Walworth - August 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM