



Richard Frisbie

July 31, 1941 - June 7, 2008

Richard Thomas Frisbie, 66, of Fort Collins, Colorado, previously of Overland Park, Kansas, died June 7, 2008, while mountain climbing in Rocky Mountain National Park. Richard was born July 31, 1941, in Middletown, Ohio, the son of Jack C. Frisbie and Lois Ehrmann Frisbie. He attended Kemper Military School in Boonville, Missouri, where he was ranked first in his class in both science and mathematics. He then went on to graduate from the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland in 1963 with a degree in electrical engineering. After his graduation, Richard was commissioned as a first lieutenant in the United States Air Force, where he eventually served in Vietnam and was awarded a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. He then returned to Honolulu, Hawaii, where he earned his MBA degree at the University of Hawaii. Richard recently retired from Bailey Controls/ ABB Group in Overland Park, Kansas. Always the endless competitor, Richard took great joy throughout his life in participating in dozens of triathlons, bike races and marathons, where he ran a 2:38 time in the Boston Marathon. He recently enjoyed a wonderful climb with his son in Rocky Mountain National Park, sharing his love of the outdoors. A devout Kansas University basketball fan, he remarked this spring that he would die a happy man having seen their amazing 2008 NCAA victory. He is survived by his wife, April, of the home, and her daughter Jade Marie Bailey, of Dublin, Ireland; his daughter, Anne Mehler Frisbie and husband Jeremy Gundel, of Menlo Park, California; his son, Matthew Rittenhouse Frisbie, of Oakland, California, along with their mother, Jennifer Edwardson, of Kansas City, Missouri; and three adorable grandchildren, Oscar, Lucy and Jane Gundel. Richard was a very tolerant person. His family will never forget his infinite intellectual curiosity, caring nature, and many entertaining stories. At this time, no formal service is being planned. This is a lot to take in all at once.

Comments



“ I was very sorry to hear about Dick's passing. I had the privilege of going on a few sales calls with him earlier in my career. He was a lot of fun and a fine American. We will miss him, and may God bless his family.

Vincent E. Hilaire - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dick was a friend and colleague. He was an inspiration in many ways but perhaps most influential through is unextinguishably positive outlook on life. He lived his life fully, and gave me and so many of us who knew him countless memories and laughter. I wish his family strength through this difficult time and although his time here passed too quickly and suddenly, please know that Dick will be missed by more people than can be imagined.

Sincerely

Bill Mahoney

Bill Mahoney - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I have had the pleasure to work with Dick several times over the years. Dick was a very energetic person. He was so full of life. I envied his vigor. The circumstances surrounding Dick's death are tragic, but I guess he died as he lived his life. He was out there enjoying life. Dick, you will be missed, you will be remembered.

Tom

Tom Crump - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I can not believe that Richard is gone, he was someone with so much energy & drive. He was a lot of fun and he always looked ahead, not backwards. This world will not be the same without him, you will be missed.

Kevin S. McManigle

Kevin McManigle - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I had the great pleasure of working with Dick and spent time biking, running, and skiing with him. He was one of my mentors in my career and I will greatly miss him. Sincere wishes to his family in these times

Kristoffer Beezley - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I am very saddened to hear of Dick's passing. Dick was one of a kind and I feel fortunate to have known him and to have worked with him. He always had a story and an adventure to tell. I am inspired by his energy and his quest to live life to the fullest. I will have many fond memories of the times spent with Dick full of laughter. My deepest sympathy to his family for your tremendous loss. Dick will be missed by many.

Teresa Metzler - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I was shocked to hear of Dick's passing. He was a very kind, polite, ambitious, considerate individual that touched the lives of many. He would handle problems from the field to the satisfaction of everyone. No problem was too big. Memories of love and friendship can never be erased - they are treasures to carry with you always.

May Dick's Memory Be Eternal

Olga & Harry Cowper

Olga Cowper - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I am very saddened by Dick's passing. I had several occasions to attend meetings with Dick over the years and found his attitude always brightened up even the most dreary meetings. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family in this difficult time.

James Brockert - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dick will be missed by anyone who met him, no matter how short the meeting was, they will remember him. His attitude and spirit were unbelievable. I don't recall Dick ever saying a bad word about anyone, and he seemed to truly enjoy everyone's company and could talk to anybody about anything for hours. The world has one less unique and extraordinary person.
My thoughts and sympathy to all of Dick's family and loved ones.

Mike Monahan - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ April and Family, You have our deepest sympathy! Dick will always be fondly remembered for his endless energy, his openness and mostly for the "deep" caring and appreciation in his heart for others. I truly enjoyed working with Dick and will never forget his stories and the good times we had together. We offer our Sincere Wishes and Thoughts to your Family in this time of loss. Thank you Dick for being a part of our Lives,

Dave & Kathy

Dave & Kathy Kesti - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Family of Richard,

I wish to offer my sincere condolences. I found out about Richard's death only by accident: merely by clicking on Google just now to find out what he might be doing these days. It is a rather terrible way to learn of a relative's death.

Richard and I were first cousins. His father Jack and my father Thomas were brothers. He and I were very close growing up. He came to visit us summers and I remember how much he liked to read a lot. After I attended his graduation exercises at Annapolis, we spent quite a bit of time together. I learned a lot from him about jazz and literature. It was while visiting our family that he met his first wife, Jenny Jones.

With my sympathy,

Lynn Holstein

Lynn Frisbie Holstein - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi, I'm sorry for your loss

Sam Hill - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM