



Roy Donna Kilkenny

April 19, 2012

Roy and Donna Kilkenny, of Ft. Collins, Colorado, passed away this week. They were both receiving care at Poudre Valley Hospital in Ft. Collins. Donna J. Kilkenny passed away on Tuesday evening, April 21st, 2009. She was followed in death by her husband Roy, on Friday morning, April 24th, 2009. Donna was born on October 30, 1923, in Rocky Ford, Colorado, to Billy and Marie Smith. She was 85. Roy was born on July 31st, 1927, in Kansas City, Missouri, to Oren and Georgie Kilkenny. He was 81. Roy began his career in Education as a teacher in Concord, California, and retired from the Department of Defense Dependents Education System in 1980. Donna was a Registered Nurse and worked in that capacity in San Francisco, California and Pueblo, Colorado. They were married on July 31st, 1947, in Rocky Ford, Colorado. Together they raised three sons, Michael, Timothy, and Patrick Kilkenny. In the fall of 1957 Roy became employed by the Department of Defense school system and together they moved to Germany where they raised their family and traveled extensively until their retirement in 1980. Roy and Donna are remembered as loving parents and grandparents, devoted to family and charitable causes through the Methodist Church, and devout Christians. Their many interests included travel, gardening, making and cultivating friendships (of which they had many!), and traveling the Colorado Rockies. Roy and Donna are survived by their three sons, Michael and his wife Linda, Timothy and his wife Susan, and Patrick and his wife Lainya, and their five grandchildren, Alison, Mia, Cassandra, Andrew, and Cade. Roy and Donna will be deeply missed by family and friends alike. A memorial service is planned for Friday, May 1st, 2009 at the Christ United Methodist Church of Ft. Collins, Colorado. The service begins at 11:00 a.m.. Donations in the name of Roy and Donna Kilkenny can be made to the Colorado Boys' Ranch of La Junta, Colorado.

Comments



“ I have fond memories of Donna and Roy. They were long time supporters of Project Self-Sufficiency, a program that helps single parents. I had a very enjoyable evening with them in their home north of Mulberry in Fort Collins. They were always kind and thoughtful.

I send my sincere condolences to their family and friends.

Mary Carraher - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Although I did not see Roy and Donna often, I felt a closeness with them. I remember growing up and loving to visit them at Grandma and Grandpa Smith's house. Every year I looked forward to their Christmas letter because it made me feel connected to the family. I will miss them.

My deepest sympathies go to Mike, Tim, Pat and their families.

Love,
Carolyn

Carolyn and Roger Clary - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We knew Roy and Donna not only as close neighbors but also as good friends. We enjoyed going to lunch or dinner with them, and thoroughly loved their sense of humor! We were so sorry when they had to leave our complex and move to The Worthington, but we kept in touch and visited them at their new home. We will miss them very much.

Please accept our condolences for your losses. We have sent a contribution to the Colorado Boys' Ranch of La Junta in their names.

Tom and Shirley Dandy - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of Donna and Roy. I will spend some time grieving their loss and the rest of the time remembering the joy they brought into my life. My life is much richer for having known them.

Cheryl

Cheryl Bennett - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ It was a pleasure to work with Donna in P.E.O. here in Fort Collins. She spoke of the exciting life she and Roy and the boys had had living overseas. I am sure she was a gentle and loving nurse.
Jane Rolston

Jane Rolston - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I knew Roy and Donna through my job as a waitstaff member at the Winslow. They always brought a special light to my day with sweet smiles and kind words. When I first met them, almost two years ago now, I was immediately struck by the love between them. I learned much from them about the person I want to be and the sort of relationships I want to have in my life. I feel truly blessed to have had the chance to get to know these two amazing people. I will miss them very very much! Love to their family and friends!

Lindsey - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Members of the Fort Collins Chapter of NARFE send their sincerest condolences to the family of our valued colleague, Roy, and his wife, Donna.

Harold & Carol Shreves - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We never met, but your children are friends and I know you made a wonderful impact on many, many people. Your legacy lives on in your boys.

Mike and Michele McClain - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ The world is less now without Roy and Donna Kilkenny. I regret not stopping by to see them when I was in Colorado in March. I have many fond memories as a child (Gretchen Akkerhuis then) enjoying events and celebrations with the Kilkennys. I am glad to know the boys continue their legacy of teaching and inspiring others. I am blessed to know that altho I missed the memorial service, the celebration of their lives was held on my birthday, 1 May.
Love to all of you, and I will look up the CO boys home. Thank you.

Gretchen Cusack - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To family and friends of Roy and Donna Kilkenny,
When I read of your loss my heart went out to your family. The wonderful life that they enjoyed in Germany where they raised their family and then traveling extensively until their retirement.
Many families have been comforted by two wonderful scriptures - 2 Cor. 1:3, 4 "the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation." and Isaiah 51:12 "I - I myself am the One that is comforting you people." I can see that Roy and Donna will be remembered as loving parents and grandparents, who were devoted to their family and friends.
Treasure your special memories and know you are in the thoughts of many.

Mrs. Scheel - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My regards and sympathies to your family. Even though I don't remember and wasn't there much, your parents had a huge impact in my life by bringing Herman Search and my mom to Colorado for retirement. So now Colorado is my 2nd favorite state and one I can call home.
"Gardy" Akkerhuis

Gerard Akkerhuis - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM