



Andrew J. Davis

October 28, 2025

Andrew Davis died on October 28th 2025, a beautiful autumn day at sunset, looking out at the Twin Sisters Peaks from the top floor of MCR hospital with his three daughters by his side. The cause of death was acute chronic respiratory failure from Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis, which he valiantly fought for years.

Andrew was born on February 20th, 1959 in Houston Texas to James Alton Davis and Delores Anita Batterson. He went to public schools in Houston, TX & Durango, CO. He grew up pitching for his dad's baseball team. He was known for his fast pitch and was awarded MVP from 1969-1975. Baseball catchers feared him, so his younger brother, Bruce, had to play up a few years to be a catcher for him. His family moved to the small Colorado Mountain town, Durango, where he attended Miller Junior High School. At the time it was a very rural area, so he spent his free time becoming an excellent skier and worked for KOA campgrounds. Andrew graduated from Rocky Mountain High School in 1977 after moving to Fort Collins as a senior.

What began as a minor struggle learning to read as a child, grew into a lifetime love for comics, books and all things sci-fi. To help him learn to read, his mother bought him comic books to improve his reading comprehension skills. From that point on, his love for science fiction and fantasy worlds grew and became a great way of connecting and sharing with future generations.

He grew up faithfully watching Star Trek and reading Spiderman comics. He maintained an enviable collection of books and comics with his own personal review list of over 1500+ titles. He loved reading and writing so much that he decided to study to receive a Bachelor of Arts in English from Colorado State University in 1981 before starting his career as a Real Estate Appraiser.

Andrew was a true leader in his life. Whether with his family, lifelong friends, neighbors or colleagues, he brought people together. He started working with his father as a Residential Appraiser, but he became so much more than that. As an expert with 40+ years of experience, he rose to the top of his field and was adored by his colleagues in the Rocky Mountain Appraiser Association [RMAA]. He had a true passion for his profession and even lobbied his state congress to pass a bill to better protect his fellow appraisers. Just two days prior to his passing he received a Certificate of Leadership from the RMAA board in recognition of his years of service and significant contributions to the appraisal profession. They created the Andrew Davis Leadership Award, that will be presented annually in his honor, with “sarcasm and spiciness” highly encouraged.

Andrew’s pride and joy in life were his daughters: Genelle Davis, Rebecca Carlson and Diana Davis, and his grandchildren: Edward Andrews, Cameryn Andrews, and Olive Carlson. He also leaves behind his brothers, Bruce & Paul Davis, his sister Diane Speakman and their families with numerous nieces and nephews that adored him.

A lifelong athlete and outdoorsman, he spent his time being active and outside with his friends and family. He biked with his daughters to Dairy Queen, hiked up many mountains, and took his family to see the West from the best campsites. He rafted the Arkansas river with his daughters and skied with them down many Rocky Mountain slopes. He loved to travel and experience new places -- whether by car, driving for hours to reach the west coast with his

whole family in tow, or flying off to destinations like Iceland, the Virgin Islands and Ireland -- he made a consistent effort to have adventures throughout his life.

Prior to being diagnosed with IPF, he participated in many 5K & 10K races including the Boulder-Boulder many times. He stayed active late in life doing everything he could to spite his illness, post diagnosis like chasing his granddaughter around playgrounds, playing golf with his friends, and going for hikes, bike rides, and runs regularly.

He was a loyal Colorado Avalanche, Rockies and Broncos fan and enjoyed watching games with his daughters and extended family. When he wasn't outside doing something active, he was meticulously tending to his cozy home and manicured yard, chatting up all his neighbors. In the evenings, he honed his computer gaming skills, becoming an expert in his favorite online games, of course, curating a community online the same way he did in the rest of his life. His love of all games including chess and cards, as well as his passion for sci-fi movies and shows continues to inspire the next generation in his family. As his illness progressed, he took comfort in listening to novels that he had previously read, reminiscing and passing along words of wisdom with his daughters and their family, all with his beloved companion, Gandolf the Gray cat purring in his lap.

As he wished, we will have a Celebration of Life. To be held on his birthday weekend, the 3rd week of February in 2026, in Fort Collins, where all are welcome to gather to remember our love for Andrew: that sharp and witty sense of humor, his love for his family and his friendships, and stories passed along. He may have been spicy and sarcastic, but he was beloved by so many. His work as the connector and leader in so many of his social circles will be sorely missed.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Our condolences to you all! My wife and I went to high school with Andy in Durango, CO and I played on the baseball team with him. He was a really good player and I always enjoyed our times together on and off the field. I know your memories of him will be everlasting. May you all find peace with his passing.*

Gary and Lisa Pearce

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