



Eric Lee Babbitt

December 19, 2017

Eric Lee Babbitt, father, husband, and friend to many, passed away in Fort Collins, CO on December 19, 2017, from complications in his long battle with cancer. He was 56 years old.

Eric earned his Mechanical Engineering degree from Colorado State University and was employed by the Burriss Company at the time of his death.

He was an engineer, an explorer, a story teller, a mentor, and a competitive foosball player, splitting his time among the work he loved; any trail, campground, and waterway he could find; his library; and the foosball table. Each of these loves he passed down to his sons. Then there were the bikes. He biked for many miles across many years, and in so doing he met his wife and his closest friends. This too he passed down.

Eric was an avid outdoorsman, who loved seeing different landscapes and countries and the peoples who lived on them. For any hike, bicycle ride, or fishing venture you would be hard-pressed to find a better companion. His love of books and his understanding of world affairs also enhanced every venture with him. For those who shared any trail with him he will be greatly missed. He will also be missed by the many people he helped in myriad ways.

Eric is survived by his parents, Alvin E. & Dorothy M. Babbitt; his wife, Patricia

K. Babbitt, and his sons Knaight & Nolan Babbitt. In addition, he is survived by his 3 siblings Michael J Babbitt (wife, Kathleen), Curtis W. Babbitt (wife, Cindy), & Vicki New (husband, Brian); his Aunts Dot Babbitt, DeDee Donnell, Nicki Donnell, Ramona Donnell, and Patricia Donnell; his Uncle Jack Donnell and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

He is preceded in death by grandparents Alvin & Opal Babbitt and Howard and Hazel Donnell as well as Uncles Kenneth Babbitt, George Babbitt, Ralph (Bill) Donnell, Phil Donnell, and Melvin Moore, Aunts Retha Babbitt and Sandra Moore, and cousin Andrea Donnell.

In lieu of flowers, Eric would appreciate any donations to be made to the FISTULA FOUNDATION, 1922 The Alameda, Ste 302, San Jose, CA 95126.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eric Lee Babbitt*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



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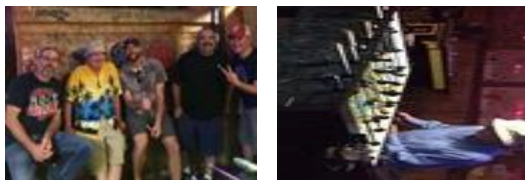


Patricia Babbitt - June 21, 2021 at 07:12 PM



“ *I'm so grateful to have met Eric's parents and siblings this past year, and to have spent more time with his wife and sons. I now see where Eric got his kind soul.*

Eric was such a great person to be around and an amazing friend. He had a ton of friends in the Fort Collins foosball community. I invite anyone who wants to reminisce about him to stop by the Trailhead on a Friday evening and chat with some of his friends that play there – they are more than happy to recall how much fun they've had with him over the years.



Russell Scarpino - January 13, 2018 at 02:47 PM

DJ

“ Dear Trish,
May you and your family have what you need now and on the new
road ahead.
Love to you and those you love,
Debra

White-Eyes
by Mary Oliver

*In winter
all the singing is in
the tops of the trees
where the wind-bird*

*with its white eyes
shoves and pushes
among the branches.
Like any of us*

*he wants to go to sleep,
but he's restless—
he has an idea,
and slowly it unfolds*

*from under his beating wings
as long as he stays awake.
But his big, round music, after all,
is too breathy to last.*

*So, it's over.
In the pine-crown
he makes his nest,
he's done all he can.*

*I don't know the name of this bird,
I only imagine his glittering beak*

*tucked in a white wing
while the clouds—*

*which he has summoned
from the north—
which he has taught
to be mild, and silent—*

*thicken, and begin to fall
into the world below
like stars, or the feathers
of some unimaginable bird*

*that loves us,
that is asleep now, and silent—
that has turned itself
into snow.*

DJA - January 13, 2018 at 01:33 AM

SK

“*Eric was my brother in-law. I have been the sibling who did not stay close to the nest. Me and my family now live in Thailand. For a time, so did my sister, Eric and my two nephews. The Babbitt family attended my Buddhist ceremony wedding and were around for the birth of my oldest daughter. Eric is in my memory every time I sit in my back yard and see the samlor (Thai three-wheeled cycle). Eric remains the first and one of the only people who figured out and actually rode the samlor following my purchase of it. While the samlor is functional, it mostly serves as an extra place to sit and something to climb-on for my youngest son now. Eric is especially remembered each day as the engineer and cycle enthusiast who actually rode my yard-decor. Be in Peace.*

Steven Kalavity - January 11, 2018 at 01:08 AM

KK

“ I remember Eric was a very good organizer...he could fit many things on/in a car for a trip that I would never be able to fit together. I think this was all part of his mechanical- engineering kind of mind. He was also a very quiet but likable character.

I will miss him.

I hope to help spread his ashes in the Black Canyon area in the spring, where I know he would like to spend part of his eternity

Karen F Kalavity - January 04, 2018 at 12:59 PM