



Hal Russell

July 27, 1951 - August 29, 2010

Dr. Hal W. Russell, D.C., a chiropractor with Russell Family Health, age 59 of Fort Collins, died August 30th. Cremation is planned with a celebration of Hal's extraordinary life being held at 4:00 pm Sunday, September 5, at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 2000 South Lemay Ave., Fort Collins. Hal Warren Russell was born July 27, 1951 in Forsyth, Montana to Hallie Vincent and Leona Russell. He felt blessed to be born into a family that was grounded in love for each other and a foundation in faith. He grew up in Le Mars, Iowa and attended North Texas State University while on a golf scholarship. Hal continued his education at Westmar College in Le Mars, IA prior to pursuing his profession as a Chiropractor at Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa. Hal felt blessed with his many longtime relationships with friends that he considered the "Salt of the Earth". Hal was a devout Christian and servant of God whose faith and ever strengthening bond with his savior was only rivaled by his unconditional love of family and friends that went beyond measure. Hal considered his patients as family and cared for their well being above all. Hal felt solace knowing that his legacy of compassion, caring, and professional services will be carried on by his son Dr. Josh Russell. Hal felt truly blessed to meet the love of his life in high school and share over 40 fantastic years of life together. On February 1, 1974, Hal married Corinne Fay Clement in Le Mars, IA. Upon graduating from Palmer College, he began practicing in April, 1977 in downtown Ft. Collins; in a solo, family chiropractic practice. Hal was proud to be longtime member of the special faith community

at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Hal felt especially blessed to live in an area that afforded him the opportunity to spend countless days in the high country beauty of God's creation. Hal would revel in the opportunities to fly-fish in Colorado and Wyoming, tie his own flies; golf; drive into the beautiful canyons in his '69 Chevy convertible; attend Eagles Hockey; CSU athletics; cruising and his many travels to Mexico. He participated in Ft. Collins youth soccer and baseball. Hal was a gentle and loving soul who unselfishly put the needs of others before his. He is survived by his wife, Corinne; two sons, Bryson Russell and Dr. Josh Russell and his fiancée Kelsy Lamb all of Ft. Collins. He felt particularly blessed to have experienced and shared, loving and mentoring relationships with his two sons. He is also survived by his mother, Lee Russell of Le Mars; two sisters, Lynn Hodgson of Loveland and Ann Gatewood of New Braunfels, TX; and two brothers, Dr. Monte Russell of Le Mars and Gregory Russell of Helena, MT; brothers in laws, sisters in laws and many loved and cherished nieces and nephews. Hal felt he was further blessed in having the opportunity to have shared his professional experience with whom he considered the "World's best boss", Jane Pink. Hal's family requests that any memorial donations please be made to the Hal Russell Memorial Fund.

Tribute Wall



“ *Hal Russell*

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“ *I first met Hal in 1982 after a serious car accident and have seen him ever since. He did more for me than just the relief of physical pain. I thought of him as a friend and he shared much insight and wisdom, salted with a dose of his special sense of humor. He was the one who discovered my son had a serious illness and directed us to the correct care facility. I still can't wrap my head around the thought that he is gone. My care and concern goes out to Corrinne (who herself is so special and caring) and the boys and also to Jane who kept Hal on task. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Carol*

Carol Gary - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will miss Hal. He was always so nice when I saw him and we loved talking about vacations. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Ann

Ann Chantler - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Corinne, Josh, Bryson and family: Jane too. We are sending our deepest sympathies to you during this very difficult time and always. Prayers to you for peace in your hearts. Andy & Irene*

Andy & Irene Josey - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ It was a pleasure to have known Hal. A great man!! I will remember him forever!! Garry

Garry Johnson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ I will always remember Hal sitting on a bench under a shade tree on a warm summer afternoon as I was invited to join him. The discussion flowed around archaeology and his family's history. I will miss this articulate, intelligent, empathetic man. This world is a better place because of his presence.

Rae Todd - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I love you all so very much. Mine is only one of hundreds of lives that Hal touched, what an amazing legacy he left behind. In the coming weeks and months ahead I will always be here for everyone of you. God bless you all.

Chelsey Penoyer - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ To the family of Hal. Please let his spirit soar, I shall miss him dearly.

christine murray - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ Hal was a great person and well respected member of the Fort Collins Community. He will be missed very much by his family and friends. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family who I know loved him very much.

Grant Taylor - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *What a great man who put others ahead of himself. He treated my family like his family and always took the time. You were always "comforted" knowing Hal was there. I know he was a man of faith and that brings us all comfort. May he rest in peace.*

Kevin Dunnigan - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *I was so stunned and saddened to see Dr. Hal's obit this a.m. in the paper. He was such a kind and gentle man, with great compassion, and a ready laugh.
Our prayers are with you.
Catherine Glaser*

Catherine Glaser - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *Words can not express the sadness I am feeling. While Hal was my chiropractor, I considered him a friend. I enjoyed my visits with him, talking golf and CSU sports. I will miss him greatly.*

Psalm 73:26

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Rocky Knutson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *I was saddened to hear that Hal had passed. Hal was a great guy and will be missed so much by many people. My heart is with his family.*

Sandy Conner - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ I can still remember the first time I met Dr. Russell; I was 5 years old. My mom had an appointment and I decided to follow her into the treatment room. After getting on the table, Dr. Russell had my mom turn onto her side to adjust her back. Little did I know that the "cracking" sound was normal. I got up from the chair, ran over to Dr. Russell and said "dont hurt my mom", while kicking him in the knee. And this, was our first encounter :)

Well, that was the first and last time I did that, because it wasnt much later in life that I would be the one being "cracked" on that very table. Dr. Russell became a very important person in my life at a very young age. He helped me get through all the aches and pains associated with my injuries from gymnastics; include two total hip replacements. He was without a doubt, one of the most premier chiropractors I have ever met! I will miss his expertise, charm, and witty comments.

To Corinne, Josh, Bryson, and Jane, I send my deepest sympathies to you during this very difficult time and always. May memories bring each of you comfort. Thinking of each of you!

Jamey Nalezinek - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Corrine and family ~

We are so saddened by the sudden loss of Hal. We have many fond memories of Hal and Stan's days on the golf course and of you Corrine at good old LCHS. Those are the things that we are going to think about now. Please know that you are in our prayers. On the visor of my car I have this statement...."If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it." That is our prayer for you as you pass through this dark time. Sincerely, Nancy and Stan

Stan and Nancy Speer - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *To Corrine and family,
You are in our hearts today and always. May God's love surround
you and support you in this time of need.*

*Love
Sandie*

Sandie and Gary Abreo - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Hal's family and to Jane: I am so sad and at a loss for words
over Hal's passing. Hal has treated me for almost 17 years and
even treated my daughter just a week ago. His wisdom and
willingness to take the time to chat was always appreciated. I just
can't make sense out of any of this. Please know that my family is
thinking about all of you and hope that you are able to cope with this
difficult situation. May you all find strength in each other by sharing
memories and keeping his spirit alive. With my deepest sympathy.
Donna Pape*

August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AG

“Wow, where to begin. I have known Dr. Russell since Kindergarten. I went to Bauder with Josh and then Blevins and Rocky. Dr. Russell coached several of our baseball teams. My Dad, Clair, went to Hal very frequently for his back problems. Many times I would join him and always felt better after leaving the office. When my Father, Clair, passed in June of 2007, I returned to Fort Collins and recall the very comforting words that Dr. Russell had for me. Those words still give me comfort to this day. Last Summer Josh and Kelsy came to New York to visit and it was great to hear about the stories of the office and how Dr. Russell Jr, was working with "Dad" in the office.

My Wife Andrea and I, along with our Baby Daughter Claire, would like to extend our most sincere condolences to the entire Russell family. Dr. Hal will be deeply missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Most Sincerely,

Andy, Andrea and Claire Glassing

Andy Glassing - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ To The Russell Family, (and Jane),

May friends comfort you, faith uphold you, loving memories heal your heart.

Hal meant so much to our family. Words cannot express our shock and sadness over this news.

Wishing you hope and peace.

Sincerely,

Jeff, Donna, Corey & Sarah Rupert

Donna Rupert - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *Hal my friend you will be sorely missed. We have had some great laughs and you have always been a bright spot in my/our lives. Our warm thoughts go out to you Corinne, Josh, Bryson and family; Jane, Denny and the thousands of lives that have been blessed just to know you and your wonderful family. God's hand is guiding them through this difficult time. Ed and Joanne, Tiffany, Justin, Michael and Melody.*

Ed and Joanne Rupert - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Dr. Russell was much more than just my chiropractor, he was an incredible friend as well. He always took the time to see how I was doing and made me feel like I was special. I feel truly blessed to have known him for the past 15 years. This is a tremendous loss for the world.*

Joy Sholts - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ No words can express the sadness we are feeling.
Our deepest sympathy goes to Hal`s family.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
In Love, Meike and Stefan

Meike and Stefan Koziol - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I will always honor this man and what he did for my life. He healed me with his touch and the kindness of his heart. I will cherish his memory and know that he was a servant of God and God gave him the power to heal others.

I pray for him and his family and know he is now watching over us all.

God Bless!

Thomas J. Waido - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Hal was my chiropractor when I was a teenager, and always made me laugh. The Russell family is very dear to the Horton family, and I have fond memories of laughing with you all, watching the boys grow up, talking to Corrine when she worked out of our house, babysitting Josh when he was little, and of course getting adjusted. Hal taught me how to stand straight and tall, and be proud of myself as well as my height.
My heart is with the whole Russell family.
Stephanie

Stephanie (Horton) Soder - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ God works in mysterious ways and I for one would never second guess His Plan. And yet I must admit that I am at a loss in understanding Hal's departure. What I do know is that in the midst of all my own personal confusion in this, I would simply wish to give the love that Hal's life was all about, along with the love that I have in my own heart for him, to his loving wife and family and wish them the Peace of God's Love in the days ahead.

Chip Grant - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ First, to Hal's family--cling to each other, remember what he taught you, lean on the good memories when the going gets tough and trust God for the rest. You and Jane are in our thoughts and prayers. There are people in this world that have a great impact, and Hal was one of them. He was much more than a chiropractor, he took time. He was the "go-to" guy when you had health questions, wanted to talk politics or discuss anything about life in general. Most importantly, he was our friend. He was one of the very few and rare individuals who kept up the good standards we were raised with so many years ago. Life doesn't come with any guarantees. You do the best you can, and that's what he did everyday...for everyone he came in contact with. In our hearts we know that God has a special place for this man, our brother, our friend. We'll meet again some day on the other side. He was a great man.

Charles and Judy Rogers - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Dear Russell and Pink Families,
We can't express how sorry we are for your terrible loss. Your Families will be in our prayers in the upcoming weeks and months. We truly loved Hal and we will miss him greatly. We pray that God will hold you in his powerful hand and bring peace and strength to your hurting hearts.
In His Precious Grip,
Jeff and Tona Greco

Jeff and Tona Greco - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ My love and prayers are with you all.

Rose Johnson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Corinne, Josh and Bryson,

We are so so sorry for your loss. Even though we haven't spent time with you in the last few years we feel a great loss. Erin, Bryson and Ryan spent lots of time together growing up, and you all turned us on to Puerto Vallarta vacations. What memories. If there is ANYTHING we can do for you please let us know. We are just a few doors away.

Love and Prayers,

Diane and Jeff

Jeff and Diane Cannon - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Please know your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Hal was my doctor and friend for many, many years. I am in shock! I shall miss him terribly and only know that he is in a much better place today.

With caring concern.

Judy

Judy Robison-Bullard - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ So many fun times with the Russell family during baseball and soccer seasons. Hal will be missed by many people, his friends, patients, and family. Our prayers are with all of you and the loss of a good friend and neighborhood guy is immeasurable. Greatly saddened by his passing is putting it mildly however so many fond and fun memories will be with us always!

Ken and Nancy Kirchhoff - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ How do you begin to say goodbye to someone who has been a doctor, mentor, confidant and friend? Hal was not only an excellent doctor, he was someone who cared about each of his patients. He knew almost all of them by name. He remembered their problems, their stories, and he listened to each one with patience and concern. This world is a sadder place for the lose of one of the best people I have had the priviledge to meet in my lifetime. I am not sure how any of us will get along without you. I miss you, Hal. I don't know for sure how any of us, especially Corrine, Josh, Bryson and Jane will get along without you. But you wil live in our hearts forever.

Brenda Stewart - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ While I didn't know Dr. Russell personally, patients I met who had been treated by him had only good things to say about his care. My heartfelt sympathies go out to Dr. Russell's family. I pray God will bring you peace at this most difficult time.

Lee A. Whittemore D.C. - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ I first met Hal back in the '80's when I worked at a Mortgage Company with Corinne. He has been my Chiropractor ever since. He was much more than a Chiropractor - he was a friend. Even when you hurt he made you laugh. Hal was a kind and gentle man, he will be missed. Corinne, my prayers are with you. Lisa...

Lisa Spanbauer - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Being a one time patient of Dr. Russell, I have the most respect for him. I was very impressed with his care.

My condolences to his family and friends.

Maxine Jarvi - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ I was so sad to see Dr. Russell's obituary in the paper. He overcame my fears of chiropractors and always kept me on the good side of life. There was one time, in particular, that I was in such excruciating neck pain on a Saturday morning that when the spasms would start my knees would buckle (it was as intense as labor pains!). After talking with his wife at their home, she had him call me, and met me right away at the office, calmed me down, and made some gentle manipulations which reduced the pain significantly, but we couldn't stop the spasms. Then he made a phone call to his doctor to see if there was anything else we should be doing and sent me home with instructions of what to do next and the pain resolved itself over the next couple of days. Then when my knees got so bad I could barely walk, he made sure I was aligned and that he had done all he could, he got me in to see a doctor for some acupuncture treatments, as well as into Dr. Nelson to evaluate further resolution of the problem. Dr. Russell always went the extra mile to help keep me feeling good so I could enjoy life more. Dr. Russell always took the time to explain what he was going to do and why before he did any type of manipulation. I really trusted that man and will miss him very very much!! Dr. Josh has some big shoes to fill!

Dee VonderHaar - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ I met Hal at Our Saviors, and from the point our families met we became close friends. Playing golf, and family trips to Mexico are just a couple of the memories I have of time spent with Hal and his family! Hal your were an inspiration to so many people and you've touched so many lives. Go with God good and faithful servant! You'll be missed! To Corinne, Bryson and Josh my heart goes out to you! I can't imagine what your going through!
"The lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit" Psalm 34:18

Scott Woods - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ To Corrine and Family and Jane Pink.

I always considered Dr. Hal a friend as well as my Dr. I haven't seen him in several years but always counted on him being there when I needed him. We had many discussions about traveling to Mexico and which tequila was the best. I will miss him and I am so very sorry for your loss.

Karla Graese - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Corinne and boys. It has been such a long time since we have seen each other. I am so sorry for your loss. I have such great memories of Hal. I remember when Jessica was born and Josh was just a week or two old, You and Hal brought dinner to Garry and I. I have great memories of our friendship and just can not believe he is gone. I know that the Lord is rejoicing and I know that Hal is with God. Again I am so so sorry for your loss.

Tina Johnson

Tina Johnson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ I am shocked and saddened by the news of Hal's passing. I have been a patient since the 70's when I was playing competitive softball; through the years that we would both show up for coaches meeting for Little League Baseball in the 80's and 90's. An honorable, compassionate and caring man of God; always had the time to listen to "what have you been up to?" whenever you walked in the door. I know that he will be greatly missed by his family, church members, patients and friends alike; since as a patient you always felt like a friend. With blessings and prayers for you all. Most sincerely, Sandy

Sandy Edwards-Zickrick - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Hal was not only my chiropractor, but a friend. He was part of my support system. As I cared for my Mother and Daughter, he cared for me.

Hal always had an opinion about everything and a way to solve the problems of this world.

Hal was caring, loving, honest and a bigger than life heroic figure. There were many times I'd think or say, "Hal will know".

He was a good man, loved God and adored his family and was very proud of his wife and sons.

My heart goes out to each of you and to you, Jane. May our Lord be your strength and comfort during this time of grief and sorrow. God Bless you and keep you close to His heart.

*In His Love,
Jeanne*

Jeanne Abdelnour - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Dearest Corinne and family,

Though I had not seen Hal recently, I counted him as a friend and someone who would be there for me had I needed him. I remember our one and only date and how he could only talk of you, Corinne. He was a special guy and I have many good memories of him. I am so very sorry for your loss.

Fran

Fran Meis - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you as we remember Hal from so many years ago in Colstrip. Vacations between LeMars and Colstrip were highlights of our summers! Picnics, fishing, swimming, and clowning around with the freedom of youth!

Hal was like a brother to us. Our Grandparents, Signe & Obert Rye rolled out the red carpet when the Russell family came to visit and Lee did likewise when we traveled to LeMars!

We know you will miss Hal terribly and want you to know that we are thinking of you at this sad time.

Debby, Wendy, Heidi & Mark Beals - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Dear Russell Family,

I am at a loss of words about Hal's passing. He will always be remembered as the most honest, loving, giving, and helpful doc in town. Josh and he took me into their graces when I got to town to help show me the ropes of the chiropractic business as I opened my doors and have always been there for me when needed ever since. These gifts will never be forgotten.

Thank you Hal for all you did, and may you rest in peace now. You will be missed by many.

Josh (or rest of family), if there is anything I can do for you, ever, please let me know.

*With sincerity,
Tyler Gatteau*

Dr. Tyler Gatteau DC - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Hal was like another older brother to me growing up - quick to point out everything Ann and I did wrong! It's hard to believe that someone I've known for over 46 years is gone. I know how it feels to lose a husband and brother, but your many memories of the life you shared will sustain you in the days ahead. My prayers go out to all of Hal's family and friends.*

Claudia Dugan - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Just to let your family know how much Hal will be missed by our family.

Hal not only was a doctor to our family but a very caring friend. He also loved to spend time talking with Neal about fishing (Oh yes that fishing time) and of course all about the hunting adventures that was shared that year by Neal, his father, brother and friends. We have known Hal for 20 years and could not have asked for a better friend and doctor. He will be truly missed by all.

Jodi Morse - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MZ

“ Hal was such a caring person. If it hadn't been for him, when I needed and first met him, I would probably be in a wheelchair or using a cane. I always felt so much better after visiting him in his office, both physically and emotionally.

He will be missed very much.

Martha Zielen - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Hal was just simply the BEST!
He always knew just what to do to make you feel better. From an adjustment to a friendly smile or comment.
Hal went above and beyond to make sure you were comfortable with any course of action he recommended for your health.
I've known Hal since 1978 and he was my friend and I will miss him so much!
I am so glad I knew him for as long as I did.
It's now time for Hal to give God the best adjustment of all!

Steve Barrett - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *What a shock to hear of the passing of such a great person. Dr. Hal was our chiro for more 20 years and he always had time to listen. Our hearts and prayers go out to the family as well as Jane. Josh will have some big shoes to fill and I look forward to meeting him. I know that he had a great teacher.*

Lindsay and Sherry Pierson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *I would like to express my condolences to the Russell family with Hal's passing. "Hal" was truly a great person as so many people have already stated. Reflecting on the time that I have known him, I have so many positive memories.*

My favorite memory is from this last winter after a big snow storm. I was outside with my daughter, Addison (2yrs old at the time), scooping snow. While we were doing this, Hal came over to say hello. During the conversation, he looked over at Addison, and said, "Do you know how to make snow angels?" She looked at him with a blank stare. At that moment, he dropped down on his back, in my lawn, and made the best snow angel ever! Addison followed suit and did one right next to him.

I was just in awe witnessing a grown man letting down his guard for the sake of his neighbor's child. I cannot imagine many other people doing such a thing. All I can say is that Dr. Hal Russell was a real life "Angel". Thank you for the memories.

*In Gods Love,
Jeff Reifschneider*

Jeff Reifschneider - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Hal will always be an awesome caring man who left us too early! My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Jane, may you find peace and comfort also, the two of you were a great team. God bless you Hal!

Donnice Formanek - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Corinne, Josh and Bryson.
Sending heartfelt sympathy at such a difficult time for all of you. We have such great memories of all of you during our Colorado days. Hal was always a strong presence in sports and in life. Bryson, Kevin, Ryan, Mike, Tony and alot of other Bauder Bucks had some great time at the Russells.
I know you are all strong and will get through this will all of the support.

Dave and Patty Rausa

Dave and Patty Rausa - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Hal has taken care of me for 30 years. He put me back together many times both physically and mentally. What a gentle giant. I will really miss him. Best thoughts and wishes to his family and Jane.

Ed Woodward - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ How does one put into words the emptiness left by the loss of all that Dr. Hal Russell was to us? I, Jo, cannot even begin to tell all that Dr. Russell was to me & my family - a caring friend, a concerned confidante, a care provider, a counselor and advisor - and for me, a lifeline sent by our loving Heavenly Father when I was unable to help myself. Never shall I forget the first appointment I had with him close to 29 years ago. He was the first medical professional I ever had that sat down in a chair and casually, yet genuinely asked, "So tell me what's going on." When I began to respond with my reason for seeing him, he responded, "We'll get to that. Tell me what's going on with you." He wanted to hear about my family, my immediate concerns, etc.! Over the years, I came to know him as a friend, one who cared deeply about others, putting us and our families ahead of himself. There isn't enough space for me to put into writing all the times when my need for care was crammed into a full schedule (thanks to Jane too!) or the time many, many years ago when I wanted to stop my visits because I knew I would not be able to pay my bill. A rather emotional and stiff argument ensued, me giving all my justified reasons, he, standing up & pointing his finger in my face, said, "YOU show up for your appointments. I do not make my living off just you." And with that the argument was over, he adjusted me, and said, "I WILL see you next week." I never received a bill, nor would he, some time years later when I could pay it, give me an amount to pay, stating that he wasn't concerned about that, only about me and my family's well being. I valued and trusted him as a friend. What I shall miss more than the adjustments I was only able to get from him, will be his caring ways, taking the time to listen and advise or encourage, including praying with & for me on a few occasions, and knowing that we shared a never ending hope in finding comfort, hope & strength in our Lord & Saviour, Jesus Christ. In so many ways, God used him to keep me going, physically, mentally, and spiritually. I can only hope that he knew just how very much he meant to us, and how very much he is missed. I am sure we did not tell him as often as we thought it! Our hearts go out to all of you, his closest family, Corrinne, Josh, Bryson; and to you, Jane, the one who for so many

years kept us all on task. You will all be in our prayers as we trust our Lord to provide for each of you in the same like way as He provided for all of us through the person that He called into His service, our friend and Doctor, Hal Russell.

"By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another." (John 13:35)

Thank you, Dr. Hal, for showing us the Love of the Father through your care of us, and thank you to the family, for the sacrifices made so that we could benefit in so many ways. We are finding comfort and praying that you, his friends and family, will too, in knowing that one day, we will be re-united for all eternity, where death can no longer separate, and pain and sorrows will be a thing of the past.

Jo Carnazzo & Family

Jo & John Carnazzo - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *A much loved friend we'll miss !!!
(d&g)*

David & George Garrison - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

K(

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Hal's family. Hal was very supportive of my basketball career my senior year in high school and I still have a wonderful photo album he made for me. He taught me how to water ski..which took tons of patience. Life won't be the same without his great smile and love of God. May You Rest in Peace Hal..*

Much love,

Kim

Kim Deines (Beckwith) - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EO

“ Knowing Hal was a great experience, he touched many many lives. He was a person that really cared about people and went out of his way to help them get well. I will miss working with him and the great conversations I had with him. I know he is in a very special place right now and his spirit will continue to touch people for a long time. My special prayers go out to his very special family and Jane which I have known for years. God Bless all family members in these tough times there going through. Hal will be missed greatly. He was a great person.

Edward Orcutt - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ We enjoyed two wonderful cruises with Hal and Corinne twenty-five years ago and Ed sipped many cups of coffee with Hal and Chuck and the downtown gang. Our thoughts are with Corinne and the Russell family in this sorrowful time.

Ed & Nancy Tempalski - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Hal will be dearly missed, but he left such an immense footprint on all of us. He touched us in so many ways, and directed his love towards all people.

Tamar Stroh - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I think the world of Hal. He is one of the best people I've ever met;he made such an impact on my life. He has helped me through four auto accidents; and a brain injury. Seeing him as a patient brightened my day because we got such a giggle out of something going in my life. He was my saviour in ways I can't explain. He meant the world to me; and I will miss him more than words can say.

My deepest sympathies to his family, his "boss" Jane Pink and friends.

Jalene Kern - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PI

“ Corinne, Josh, and Bryson and additional family. I am so very sorry! Please except our deepest and sincerest sympathies. My heart and prayers go out to all of you. Hal was a very special person. He was never quick to judge and loved all of man kind. His compassion and love for his family always shinned through. He was quick to help and find a solutions for alot of people that he touched. The times that we shared with Hal are very cherished memories. It was always wonderful to visit, relax, attend sporting events,vacation and fish with Hal and your family. Hal was so giving of his time, knowledge and love. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call. We will continue to pray, live and cherish the memories that Hal brought to all of us.

Pete Isais - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ Hal always had time to listen. He was a caring person whom I loved like a brother.

Elaine C. Minor - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ For 12 years took wonderful care of us and we are grateful. We send our love and prayers to the family and Jane.

John & Lisa Harris - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I am so sad to hear of Dr. Russell's passing. I met Hal over 20 years ago when I worked at the bank. In later years he became my chiropractor as well as my husband Vince's chiropractor. Hal was truly the best! My husband died a few years ago and I will never forget that it was the kind and caring faces of Hal and Jane who were the first to see me and extend their condolences at Vince's viewing. I was so touched to see them and to receive their love and support during that most difficult time. A few months later at one of my appointments, Dr. Russell and I had a good talk about Vince. Hal's kind words and encouragement were a great comfort to me. I felt like a stronger person and mother after leaving his office that day. He was an extraordinary man, doctor and friend. I feel blessed to have known him. To his family and dear friends, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Hal will be sadly missed but never forgotten.

Justine Barela - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Corinne & Family - we were so saddened to hear of Hal's passing. We also feel thankful that we were able to see the two of you in July at the All-School Reunion back in Le Mars.

May the wonderful memories that you shared with Hal give you comfort now at this difficult time and in the years to come.

God Bless you all.

Stan & Marsha Dickman

Stan & Marsha Dickman - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I cannot express in words how sorry I am to Corinne, Josh, Bryson and Jane, and to all of us who were constantly being "saved" by Hal. I do not have words to express how saddened I am and how much I will miss you, Hal. My prayers are with your family and Jane's as well, and for all of us who will be without you. But we'll see you again when the Lord comes back and takes us all home.

Larry Page - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ To the Russell family (and of course Jane) - we cannot express how sad and shocked we are that Hal is gone. He was such an awesome, good man and we can't seem to understand - but know that it is even harder for you. His tribute certainly speaks to the man he was. Everyone of us who went into his office can relate to what others have said. Although we had never socialized with him away from his office, we considered him a friend. We talked about everything from racquetball to golf to boating. And he always remembered you, even if you only popped in once a year. You were not just a patient - he knew you. Special memories are when he would come plop down on the adjustment table while I was laying on my favorite table (the ball with the roller) and we would just chat away about life. He also was someone that you would go to for more than just a back adjustment. Like when my daughter had shoulder problems or tendonitis. Or when my husband and I both developed shoulder problems. He told was which surgeon to go to and of course his recommendations were great and true to his word. One time he was adjusting me and had Corinne come in and take a look - then she gave me a mini massage for a couple of minutes to help alleviate my pain. You are such an incredible family and our heart and prayers go out to you. Please know that everyone of us who knew Hal is a better person because of it and he will be deeply missed.

Carol & David Ballantine - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ To a wonderful healing man. I was so blessed to have a Doctor in Chiropractic who was so genuine in his practice. As a Massage Therapist, I referred all of my clients to him and then Josh as well. I appreciated his loving energy and touch. I'm saddened of the hardships he faced but believe his LIFE will always be CELEBRATED. To all his family and friends...I KNOW he will truly be missed.
Much Love and contentment.

Jamie Allen - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ We are very saddened to hear this news. Hal was more than a damn fine chiropractor, which he certainly was. He was real people. Every time Hal worked on us (and our daughters), it was clear that he cared. Not just for our recovery, but about a lot of things, passionately. I don't enjoy doctor visits, but I always enjoyed my brief interactions with Hal.

We hope the family will take some measure of solice from these tributes.

Mitch Lohr & Sharon Wall - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Hal, you were a loving mentor and friend to a bunch of Baker kids on Suffolk Street. We were always really grateful that we got to meet you and Corinne and Josh, and then baby Bryson. We babysat your kids and our dad played Santa and we had a lot of good times. Thanks for being a gentle and loving friend and mentor to us, even when I backed over the bicycle with my truck - I thought my dad would skin me but you both were so sweet. Thanks also for being so supportive of my brother and taking such great care of my parents for so many years. You will be sorely missed, dear one. God bless you. And God bless your sweet family.

Megan Baker - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ He was an amazing man who lived his life to reflect his beliefs. He made everyone feel valued and important.

Dale and Diane Leach - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ My condolences to the Russell Family and to all that will miss him. Thanks Hal, it was a privilege.

Curt Shea - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ To the Russell family and Jane Pink,

We are so grateful for the wonderful care Hal gave us over the years, as well as the discussions on fishing, raising children, and Mexico vacations!

As others have said, we always felt better after a visit, not only because the body was aligned, but so was the soul. Hal had a way of putting life in perspective.

Hal, we look forward to fishing with you in heaven!

May God comfort you during this difficult time. You are in our prayers.

Mike and Julie Fleming - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Your obituary said it all. He truly was a caring person and it showed in his professionalism as a Doctor. Jerry became a patient of Hal's when he first started practicing and 3 generations later, he was still treating our family. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with your family as you deal with the loss of this truly remarkable man.*

Jerry Schott - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *Our sincere sympathy to you Corinne and your family. Our prayers will be with you during this difficult time.*

John and Lorene Rexwinkel - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Hal was a wonderful person and a great Doctor. He was always giving me a hard time about my Height and my chosen work. Always liked hearing about his fishing stories he will be missed dearly. JD Strauser and family.

Jerald & Connie Strauser - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Hal's family. I am still in shock and very sad over Hal's passing. Hal was a very special man, not only was he my doctor but a very special friend. After years of suffering from back pain, Hal was able to find my back problem and send me to a back specialist who was able to help me. I will truly miss my treatments and hugs from Hal. God Bless You My Special Friend.

Patricia Bowen - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I met Hal Russell 27 yrs ago He was a good man and will surely be missed. My condolences to Corrine and Sons.

Margaret A Mosher - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Words cannot say how much he touched the heart of so many people in his short time on this earth. He will be missed by all that he helped and was there for. We all wished we could have been there for him as well. We know he is with God now and is continuing his practice with the Lord.

terry goad dba terrys midtown auto service - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Like everyone else, I am shocked over the news of Hal's passing. For the last several years he tweaked my back and was, of course, an excellent doctor. I enjoyed his advice on fly fishing and our discussions on life in general. Hal was a great man. My condolences to his family and also Jane. Way back when Jane was my boss before Hal's and is without a doubt the world's best boss/employee. God Bless all Of you.

Cory Johnson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Dear Russell family and Jane: I'm shocked at Hal's passing and so deeply saddened for the loss. All of our lives were enriched because of Hal. He always had great advice and knew just how to make things better, even if it was just to brighten your day. He was truly a joy to be around. He will be missed greatly. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Brenda Gimeson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ I met Hal this past June after my mother Pat Bowen had been hospitalized. Hal was very special to my mother who sung praises about this wonderful man who has helped her so much. After meeting him and having conversations with him, I felt the same. We are very sad that he is no longer with us. My prayers go to his family and friends.
God Bless,
Linda

Linda Velin - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ On a cold Novenber Morning in 2007 Dr. Russell saw my husband collapse in the middle of the Mason St Railroad tracks with an on coming train less than 1 block way he pulled my husband to safety. Thanks to Dr. Russell all he suffered was a seziure and a cut to the head. Dr. Russell saved my husbands life while putting his own at risk. We will be forever grateful.

Lisa Lowder - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Corinne, Josh, and Bryson,

We were deeply saddened by the passing of Hal. We have so many wonderful memories of our time in Fort Collins. Hal was the center of every celebration, usually with a spatula in his hand grilling meat for everyone. He did so many kind acts. We will always remember that he came over every snowfall after Barry's heart attack to be sure our walks and drive way were cleared. Most of the time, he did this without us seeing and never mentioned it. We also are very grateful for all of his support and kindness helping us sort out how to deal with Siri's hip problems. His wise counsel allowed her to avoid surgery when she was in college. He also helped us to find a great orthopedist to assist in caring for her.

We mostly will miss Hal's humor and compassion. It was apparent that he loved you. He always spoke well of you all and you were the center of his life. A brief moment of a sad choice does not erase the years of care and love he shared with you. Even though we are miles away, our hearts are with you. We will spend Sunday afternoon praying for you all.

Love,
Rachel and Barry

Rachel Fernelius - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Hal was a caring compassionate Dr.who put care in front of \$\$\$\$..He had me walking,working,& relatively free of pain when no-one else could do so..He was a friend and companion. He was a loveing person & will be missed by all.Steve

Steven L.Suchocki - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dr. Russell treated me for 16 years and always went above and beyond. Words can not express the love, admiration, and respect I have for him. You had an incredible "gift" to heal as well as many words of wisdom. Dr. Russell literally saved my life, going many extra miles to find out the root of the problem and fixing it rather than treating symptoms. I can't thank you enough! For this reason Hal's passing is even more difficult for me. Dr. Russell impacted so many lives in a positive way. I can only imagine what his family is going through.

Dr. Russell was an amazing Dr/healer, friend and confidant. I am so blessed to have known him. He will be sorely missed. Every person who knew Dr. Russell can be thankful for all the great memories we have of him, with that his legacy will live on.

Thank you my dear sweet friend for being such an important part of my life.

My heart goes out to Corinne, Dr. Josh, Bryson and Jane. May God help you through this difficult time.

If you need anything please let me know.

Debra Hoffmann

Debra Hoffmann - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *The community has lost a true Dr. and friend.*

Betty Moore - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ *A wonderful doctor, mentor and "friend." My condolences to his family. He will be missed.*

Ginger (Uthmann) Alvey - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *I visited many a chiropractor before finding Hal. He was truley a kind and caring man. I will miss his smile and wit. Hal and his family will be in my prayers.*

Peggy Haller - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *May I offer my condolences to Hal's family and friends. Hal and I went to highschool together. Although I was actually a classmate of Monte's, I knew Hal fairly well. It saddens me to hear of his passing. He was a good kid and from what I have been reading, a good man.*

I know what you are feeling, I recently lost my wife to cancer. It is hard, but depend on the Lord and He will ease the pain.

Steve Laux - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *You will always be the one person that always listen to, crack a joke with, had big smile for me when I had none. You will mmiss by all that you as part of their lives.*

Kay LoPresto - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ I am deeply saddened to hear that Hal Russell passed away. He was such a great person, always positive and encouraging to me whenever I saw him for his special touch. He helped me so many times when I was in pain and he was always successful in making me better. I know he was respected, honored and loved by every life he touched. Please accept my condolences and prayers to all his family and friends. I will miss him so much. Thankyou, Edward Lucardie

Edward J Lucardie - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ I will miss Dr. Russell after being a patient for over 25 years. He was a great Man... God bless.

Wayne Ratajczak - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Words cannot express the shock and sadness I am feeling over this news. I first met Dr. Russell (Hal) in late 1977. He was just more than my chiropractor, I considered him a great friend. It turned out that we had some things in common. Such as old cars and fishing..His 69 Chevy convertible was a project that I will never forget, it is a one of a kind, just like Hal. Hal always had great wisdom and would always ask how things were going in my life. My Mother and Father use to see Hal almost every week for a few years. Hal had some great advise for me after my Father was kill in a construction accident that help me. I will miss his humor and his words of comfort and advice. Our deepest sympathy goes to Hal`s family. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Jane, may you find peace and comfort also, the two of you were a great team.

Stephen Crites, Sharon Cramer, Marie Crites - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I have seen many chiropractors over the years, but none like Dr. Hal! Going to his office was like going to a family gathering; indeed, he and Jane were like family...caring, remembering your family joys and sorrows and always there with a smile! What a team they made! A more professional gentleman I have not met. I was amazed at my first visit for an adjustment. He truly listened, asked where/when it hurt and fixed it!! I loved his "old school" way of treatment and continued to see him regularly when my back needed a "tweak". Dr. Hal will be deeply missed, not only for his expertise but also for the caring, gentle man that he was. My thoughts and prayers continue to be with his family and Jane during this time of sorrow. May God wrap you in His arms and give you peace.

Carol and david Savage - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ What a shock. Our prayers are with your family, all his friends and patients. He was such a great guy, met him after a car accident, then kept me going when my hips would go out, two of my kids also saw him and thought the world of him. Can still see him give me a look and say WHAT DID YOU DO NOW. What loss. God be with you.

Brenda Conley - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you all. We were all touched by Hal in so many ways. We will miss him always as we remember. He could make you really smile.

Tom and Jamie Presgrove - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ As a fellow Iowan, we always enjoyed talking with Hal - especially about Well's Blue Bunny ice cream. He was a great person and a great help to our physical health, and will be greatly missed by us.

Respectfully,

Gary and Mary Birdsell

Gary and Mary Birdsell - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ I write this tribute to Hal with sadness for his family, friends, and "World's best boss", Jane. I'm very sorry for the loss of your husband, father, and friend. Hal worked on me for several years, but within a few visits, I felt like I'd known him for years. Hearing of his life growing up in Iowa, his trips to Mexico and life in general always managed to make me laugh and look forward to my next visit.

He always asked about my life, job, and my son and seemed genuinely interested.

Hal touched many, many lives in a way that I got to experience too. It has been truly amazing to find out how many people who's lives have been made richer

from knowing Hal. I myself am very sad in the loss of Hal. I find it hard to believe that he's gone. Although, I think it's just a matter of time before his spirit starts shining through once again from Heaven. I know his family is at a loss, as are all his friends, patients, Jane, and our whole community.

We are a lot of sad people with Hal's passing but we are also a lot richer for having known him and shared in his life.

We miss you Hal.

Go with God and fly with the Angels.

Arlene Haukap

Arlene Haukap - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hal will be deeply missed by our family. Our only regret in knowing Hal is that he is no longer with us now. He was a great friend and a great soul.

August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ We have known Hal for many years as patients and friends Since the late 70's. I don't belive there was a better Chiropradter around. We will miss him a great deal. Hal may you rest in peace. To his family we are terribly sorry for your loss.

*Clifford & Lauren Strauser
& Family*

Mr & Mrs Clifford Strauser - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Corrine, Josh and Bryson, The service was beautiful yesterday. A true tribute to a man who will be greatly missed. Corrine, your graciousness in the face of such loss is incredible. My favorite memories of Hal are all inextricably linked to those of all of of you as a unit. Perhaps my most overwhelming feeling is one of such loss for my parents, who Hal took such CARE of for as long as I can remember, not just as clients, but as friends and neighbors. As family. I remember odd things, lying around on the sectional in your basement even before Bryson was born; Heidi, the odd barely there cat (the one Geoff didn't kill); the first bubble lights I ever saw were on your Christmas tree and I was amazed; watching in wonder while you calmly went into labor with Bryson, Corrine. You were both so much younger, and (I know, unbelievably since they ooze cool), cooler than my folks, that it was impossible for all of us Baker kids to not become squatters in your life as it expanded with one another and grew with your own family. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of you, of Hal and of your family.

Kirstin Weihman - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ I was shocked and greatly saddened to hear about Hal's passing. I started seeing Hal professionally many years ago and came to count him as a friend. I had never met a professional health provider that allowed you to walk in at any time and he would find time to see you. My wife would always ask me, how did the visit go? Do you talk about what was wrong? I never had answers she liked because every visit to Hal was 15 minutes sports and 5 minutes of adjustments. And he made the 5 minutes work. For the last 20 years my ritual at CSU basketball games was looking directly across the floor and seeing Hal sitting behind the bench. I always enjoyed our halftime visits to continue our sports dialogue. He was a passionate guy and I know this loss is being felt by a great many people.

Bob Rubin - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Hal will be missed terribly by us all. His love of his family and appreciation of life shone out of him and was infectious. We cherish the 20 years or more you graced part of our lives. We could always count on leaving your office laughing... Our prayers are with you and your beloved family.

Kimberly and Dan Lavelle - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ We have known Hal (and his family) since 1984 when he was recommended to us as a chiropractor. He became a very dear friend & helped us through some really rough times with a car accident that Judd was injured in & and then with my MS. We helped the family move into their home and sod the yard. Judd played Santa for the kids for 6 years. They gave a wonderful loving home to one of our cats.

Corrine, Josh, Bryson and Jane, you are in our hearts and prayers at this difficult time. God is there for you, to strengthen and comfort you.

God bless you.

Love and prayers,

Judd, Saralouise and Pete & Melissa

Saralouise & Judd Anderson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ I was so very sorry to hear of Hal's death. My family lived across the street from Lee and the kids when they first moved to LeMars. I mostly knew Hal as "Annie's big brother" at that time. He obviously became a wonderful husband, father and professional man. I send my deepest condolences to his family in Colorado, Texas and LeMars. May you find peace in the memories you have of Hal.

Connie (Kock) DeKoter

Connie (Kock) De Koter - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ To my dear Corinne, Josh, Bryson, mother Lee, brothers, sisters and Jane Pink. We have had you in our prayers since hearing of Dr. Russell's sudden death. Dr. Russell, Corinne and the physicians I was referred to because of the Russells gave me my life back. How do you thank such beautiful people who have energy time and time again to help people with a plethora of health care issues. Dr. Russell's talent and God-given gifts helped so many people and yet Hal made you feel like you were the most important person, no matter how busy he was. Dr Russell did not need to know the "standards of care" because he lived them. Anyone reading tribute after tribute knows the love this Christian man and his family lived. This family is a "one of a kind". His family will go forward in faith, feeling their husband, father, son, sibling and uncle's presence. Mark & I wish to tell you the sadness we feel for all of you. Losing this "great man" gives so many people sadness because he touched more lives with goodness, making us forget the evil of this world. God walked with Dr. Russell all the days of his life, he used the wisdom of the Lord to help many and God will surely make him an 'angel of healing' in His Heaven. "Tis a difficult road, this sweeping up the heart, putting love away, not to be felt again...until Eternity." Although we've known you for a very short time, our hearts and prayers go out to all of you. In Christian love and sympathy, Ellen & Mark

Mark & Ellen Plendl - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ My deepest condolences to Dr. Hal's family. I was his patient for many years and appreciated his caring and skill. I know I am just one of many patients who will miss him greatly.

Jacqui Zipser - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ *When I heard of Hal's passing, I thught about an old Celtic Blessing:
Deep Peace of the running wave to you;
Deep Peace of the flowing air to you;
Deep Peace of the quiet earth to you;
Deep Peace of the shining stars to you;
Deep Peace of the gentle night to you.
Deep Peace of Christ the light of the world to you.*

Hal, you will be missed.

To Corinne, Josh, Bryson, and Jane I would like to express my deepest condolences and my prayers are with you all.

William Prange - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *I have known Hal since 1977 when I was secretary for the Downtown Merchants Assn. I then became a patient. My prayers and thoughts are with the family in this time of sorrow. Cheryl*

cheryl cronkhite - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *We all have reached a crossroads in our lives that while don't keep good contact with eachother it doesn't mean we don't care. I've been thinking about Hal off and on that past few days. He was a great cousin....a funny one. We'll miss you Hal. You were our first stop on our honeymoon, 1981*

Dave and Juli

Dave & Juli Kwikkel - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ We were shocked and saddened to read Hals obit in the paper. It is obvious from the tributes here that Hal lived his professional life much like his life in high school. He was always friendly and encouraging in his relationships with team mates and friends. I was glad to get to talk to Hal and Corinne at the last reunion. He was the same open and funny guy that we remember from school.

Tim and Beth Rollinger - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ I first met Hal through Bob Warner after a donnybrook that wreaked havoc on my neck, Hal got me back to motivating again and I spent a night or two over at his house visiting and maybe a toddy or so. Had to be on good behavior as the boys where pretty young then. Many years of rodeo thus many visits to Hal through the years. Some of it was traded out in the form of working on Hal's ragtop, Josh's toyota pickup or something else. Hal always took care of me and my family both my parents and my son. Many times we would just visit about Montana or western Iowa and mutual friends, I always left feeling richer when I left the office. I was completly shocked to hear of Hals passing. To Corrine, Josh, Bryson my deepest you have lost husband, father, and friend, I will continue with you all as a friend and client Bless you Byron L. Rodeo clown and friend

Byron L - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MU

“ I looked up to Hal, both as a chiropractor and a male roll model. He was one of the reasons I decided to pursue a career in the chiropractic profession and helped my finalize my decision to attend Western States Chiropractic College. He will be missed by many. My thoughts will be with the Russell family in this difficult time.

Matthew L Usel - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *In this time of sorrow may loving memories light your path. Thinking and praying for you, Judy and Terry Jones*

Judy Jones - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I don't believe I have ever had a more caring Dr. He will be greatly missed.*

Brenda Henderson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My deepest sympathies to all of the Russell family and to Jane.*

The loss of Hal is a shock and a deep sadness. We will all miss him, his positive attitude, lively outlook and personal strength.

Best wishes to all of you. I hope that the support of his patients and friends can help ease your sorrow.

*Sincerely,
Daryl Bonyor*

Daryl Bonyor - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ *He was a very kind and loving soul. We shared many stories about Fishing and raising young boys. He will be truly missed.*

Shiela Elliott - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I only learned of Russell's(that is what my dad Wendell always called him & it stuck) passing this morning. I am so sad to see him go. I always waited too long to make an appointment to come in and see him as I knew the first thing he would ask me was "whadya do to yourself now?" Or "whadya wait so lon for to come in?" I would express my pain to him when he would work his magic on my hip and he would always tell me to "quit whining" For some, they might take that the wrong way and maybe never come back...for me, that it what made me love to see him even more as he may have seemed a little rough around the edges but you just knew he had a heart of gold and was probably a big softie behind the tough words. He also always asked me how my crazy dad was and made me feel like he really cared about my family and what was going on with them. He was more to me that just a guy who would make it better, he was an important person in my life...the kind of friend you didn't have to talk to on a regular basis to feel like you were still friends. He is and always will be truly missed. His family will be in my prayers.

Jennifer Fellingner - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Remember your times of laughter and happiness with Hal and know your heart will always hold those memories.God Bless you all

Cindy Kimber - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I felt blessed to have been a pt. of Dr. Hal's and I knew when I recommended "others into his care, they would receive "only the best care" I considered him the gentle giant~~~always greeting with a warm smile, always listening, and always searching for the answers to assist his pts. with the absolute best medical care for their situation:

God has a special angel now, and as hard as Dr. Hal's leaving us here on earth, Heaven is blessed with his gentle ways, his warm embrace, his laughter, and his knowledge~~~

To his Family~~~he was so proud of each and "every" one of you, including Mrs. Jane, you will always be his right-hand and Dear Friend~~~ May Dr. Hal's love for each of you embrace you each and every day until you join him in Heaven~~~

Blessings with Love, deb/ms sydney~~~Dr. Hal always had a pat on her head for her each visit~~~ we are missing you until Heaven's Door Open's~~~

debra w. rojas - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Hal was a wonderful man. Rod and I felt so confident in his care. He had such a great personality and was so caring. He was such a bright and positive spirit. He will be so missed. We want to express our sympathy and genuine sadness to the family and also to Jane. He was truly a healing person with so much to contribute. We are sorry that his time with us all was so short.

With Sympathy - Rod and Kathy

Rod and Kathy Louderback - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ My wife and I were visiting Hal and Corrine's old stomping grounds in Iowa and learned the sad news of Hal's passing while we were away. Our family is so deeply saddened. Our hearts and prayers go out to Hal's family.

From college days at Westmar College (Iowa) and shared "Bob's Dogs" to soccer practices and some crazy soccer matches in Fort Collins, from sore backs and aching muscles soothed, from CSU athletic glory days and not-so-glory days experienced, cussed and discussed, from car talk about his wonderful '69 Malibu and hopes for our children's future we had many great moments over the last 35 years. They will not soon be forgotten Hal.

John F Smeltzer - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ We are both so very sorry to hear about Dr. Russell. He was amazing he helped my husband with his back problems and we couldn't do it without him. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all.

Kevin and Tamera Nelson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ My profound condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Russell. My heart is heavy to have heard of his passing. He was someone who I admired and respected, and whom I did call upon for professional referrals and advise. I first was referred to him by a friend for my daughter many years ago, and was also a patient. I am grieved to know that he will not be there the next time I come 'home' for a quick 'crack-o-practic' adjustment, and our conversations. We'll miss you, Hal. May you be at peace, and in God's light.

Penny Bradshaw - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ After my car accident Hal took me under his wing and took the most amazing care of me. He was not only there for me as a doctor, but as a friend and he truly felt like family to me. Hal was one of the very few people I trusted. He blessed my life so much and I am so thankful I had the opportunity to know someone as wonderful as him. Anyone who came into contact with him had to know what a generous and caring person he was. Hal was my light when I needed one and I will greatly miss him.

Brianne Bradfield - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Hal was the best! We will miss him greatly. Our thoughts are with the family.

janet yelowchan & sarah norskog - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ We are so sad to learn the news. Hal was my dr since 2001. I appreciated his dry wit, medical knowledge, and conversations about the similarities about our Midwest families. Hugs to all, and especially Jane. "The sisters" send our love. ~ Lori

Lori Sims - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Hal's Family: I am so sorry for your great loss. I will pray for peace upon you all at this time. I can't imagine what you are feeling.

For Hal: I wish I could have said good bye to you. I just got back from Mexico and was looking forward to seeing you next month to catch up on the trip. After all, it's because of you that we decided to go visit Paradise Village. I wish we could have shared another conversation together as they were always enjoyable for me. I remember in our last talk we were talking about ways to be healthy and not get sick. You mentioned that as much as we try to be healthy we'll still have to face death at some point. YOU gave me a quality of life back that I didn't think was possible. I will miss your cheery self and guidance. Thank you for your hand print on my life. Your life was valued by me and obviously by many others.

Emily Cathcart - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I can only imagine the hole left in your hearts Fam, & friends... It feels like a really bad surgery for me. He would get that so quick and clear. I will always remember Dr. Hals' rough exterior.. Now I will remember him catching the biggest wave on his boogie board with no ending in sight.. Rest with the sunshine on your face Big Guy. Boys, take excellent care of your mom. Jane, bless your heart and remember Hal always said," It'll get better,just hang in there!

mary Collins - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Please know that your family is in my thoughts as you grieve the loss of Dr. Russell. Hold close to your hearts the many special memories you shared with him. I know from the very little contact I had with him as a patient at Russell Family Health that he loved and cherished his family above all

Pamela Barker - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Hoist a glassfull of Crown Royal to a friend and pain reliever. I first meet Hal when Bob Warner took me with him when he was going for an adjustment. When he was done with Bob he invited me in and gave me a free bone cracking. Back then it cost 16 or 18 dollars for a visit and Nancy McKelvey was his office gal. When Nancy's son Brett died I was invited to his celebration of life at Hals house. That was my only contact with his family. Soon Jane took over the office duties and kept Hal in line. God Bless Jane and the family. I will miss Hal a lot. Cheers!!!*

John Laughlin - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Corinne,*

I was shocked to see Hal mentioned in the Le Mars Sentinel (I try to check it once a week). I am so sorry. It's been a lot of years since I last saw you, but the old neighborhood gang creeps into my thoughts every now & again. I saw Debbie last year just before Mom died.

Please be assured the both Hal & you will be in my thoughts & prayers. Make sure you let me know when you next visit Le Mars, I would love to see you.

Jo Ann

Jo Ann Harms Schwebach - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Corinne, Ann and family,

My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. May you find comfort in one another, with God, and within your heart, and celebrate the love and the happiness that Hal shared with each of you.

Bless you all, Dave

Dave Prewitt - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Ann and Lynn,

I am one of the CNA's that took care of your mom at Brentwood and talked with you over the summer. I just saw the obituary of your brother passing and want to know you have my sympathy. I would like to stay in touch with you both and never did get the chance to get your email address, I'm leaving my email for you so feel free to email me. Once again sorry for your loss.

*Sincerely,
Kayla*

Kayla TenNapel - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ I was very sad & Shocked to hear about Hal. I first met Hal when I (Holly) was a young teenager. I was in a car accident and needed a chiropractor very badly, which he came highly recommended. I then over time kept going to him & he helped me in many different ways. It was a pleasure to see him especially when I was going thru a hard time in my young teenage life. I would go to his office to relax and have a few laughs. I have always said that people come into our lives for a reason & I didn't really know why until he treated me like a family member & talked to me like a father would. Anyone who knew Hal was for the better! His kind, wisdom, caring & loving spirit permeated his life & office. I will miss him dearly. My husband who has only known Hal for about a year from car accident said to me the other day.. "I not only went to get an adjustment but to see my friend & talk about many different subjects (sports, politics, cars, music, businesses and up coming events) he said Hal was such a smart & wise man, as tears filled my husbands eyes he said I will miss him alot he was my friend! We both have shed some tears for the family. We will miss you dearly Hal & will make sure your family is always in our prayers. The office just won't be the same. (I hope you taught your son the chair trick cause you know me I can't relax)I hope he will carry on your technics to love and make people feel better in life, I'm sure you taught him well. God Bless your family.
Love Holly & Joe

Holly & Joseph Mora - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I'm reeling from the loss of such a great, quiet, friend-above the norm amazing healer-listener-witty-capable-my thoughts are with Hal's family-what an incredible loss!

Maggie Kunze - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Corinne, Josh and Bryson*
We are so saddened and sorry to hear that Hal has passed away. Such a wonderful and talented person and a great human being. I know you will miss him dearly. Our hearts and prayers are with you.
Very Sincerely,
Mike and Linda Wilson

Mike & Linda Wilson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *I still cannot believe Hal is gone. The shock at hearing just won't leave me and I find it hard to wrap my brain around the facts. I was a patient of Hal's for more than 20 years. He always treated me with utmost professionalism. You had no doubt he cared about your total health.*
I will miss him!

My deepest sympathies are extended to his family, and to Jane.

Karen Gebhart

Karen Gebhart - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *To the family and friends of Dr. Hal Russell, I wish to extend to my deepest condolences at the loss of your husband, father, and friend. I first met Hal in 1990 when I began to set up my massage practice in Fort Collins. He was very supportive and we referred clients back and forth for years. I never once hesitated to refer someone to him because I truly trusted his work. I also went to Hal for my own health care because he was honest, caring and ethical. He was also funny, encouraging, intelligent and well informed about the community. Jane, I want to thank you for squeezing me in when I would call at the last minute and send you my sympathies.*

Jillian Thompson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *This world has truly lost a pure gentleman. I pray for peace and understanding for Hal's wonderful family and friends.*

Ron Charlson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ND

“ *We are so stunned about Hal's passing. He is so gonna be missed. His sense of humor everytime I went to see him and the knowlege, understanding and help were so unconditional. We will continue with his son and wish him success but thoughts and prayers to Corrine and family and to Jane. We care and hope for your sorrow and sadness to shorten with each day. Our love to your families. Johnnie and Norm*

Norm and Johnnie Davis - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ *I just found out about Hal's passing. My whole family knew and loved Dr. Russell. He was always so full of life and treated you like a friend - not just another patient. I am truly sad that the world has lost such an exceptional man. I was blessed to know him for many years. My love and prayers go out to all of Dr. Russell's family.*

Neva Adamson - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Planning on flying back to CO to visit this long MLK weekend, I thought it would be a great time to get a tune up from Dr. Hal. It has been difficult to even consider finding a chiropractor out here when I've had the best of the best chiropractor for 14 years while I lived in Fort Collins.

Calling Jane to make an appointment today with Dr. Hal, I was shocked and felt such sorrow to learn of his passing. He was a good person, an excellent chiropractor, and was continually full of tidbits of information, good advice, and funny, quirky anecdotes - all given with kindness and human caring. What a loss, what a loss for all.

Pat Goforth - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ I just learned of Dr. Russell's death. I'm so sorry. He was a wonderful person. He always had something kind and helpful to say.

Because of his work I was able to dance at my wedding 15+ years ago. Later he helped me and I was able to walk and carry my babies. He relieved me of so much pain. He death is a loss to our community.

To his family: I am so sorry for your loss.

April Undy - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Heard the news about Hal today - We are saddened and shocked. Read all the tributes posted about this wonderful and caring man and we agree with every written word. To the Russell and Pink families: No words can express our heartache for your terrible loss. We know you all have many good memories to hold on to. Take it one day at a time. Don't hesitate to contact us if you need anything.

Toni & Rick Romano - August 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM