



Lester Murray

January 24, 1947 - July 21, 2011

Lester Allan Murray, 64 of Ft Collins, Colorado died at his home on Thursday, July 21, 2011. Lester was born January 24, 1947 in Montpelier, VT., to Clifton and Ruth Murray. His parents later divorced and remarried. Lester then added Thelma Murray and Garfield Trudeau as additional parents. Lester grew up in Vermont and Connecticut and graduated from Middletown High School, Middletown, Connecticut. Lester attended Vermont Technical College in Randolph, Vermont. Lester proudly served in the US Marine Corps from 1968-1972 and served in Viet Nam. In 1989 Lester moved to California briefly before returning to Randolph, VT to be with his future wife, Lesley. In 1991 they moved to Colorado with their son Lyle. Lester worked in the fireplace industry for many years and eventually owned his own business. Lester enjoyed hot air ballooning, running road races, camping, cheering loudly at CSU women's basketball games, spending time with his grandchildren, and making trips to the local library or book store to feed his love of reading. Lester enjoyed attending the CSU games with his hair and face fully painted green and gold. Lester was very active and passionate about supporting programs that helped others. He actively supported the MS Society through the Challenge Walk and The Wild West MS Walk About, the Alzheimer's Association, and the Victim's Response Team through the Larimer County Sheriff's Department. Lester was always the first one to say "ok, how can we do this and what do you need me to do!" Lester was preceded in death by, his fathers Clifton Murray and Garfield Trudeau, His mother Ruth Trudeau, Sister

Nancy Thayer, and nephew Brian Thayer. He is survived by his wife Lesley Murray of Ft. Collins, Colorado; son Lyle Murray and daughter in law Jackie Murray of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; Mother Thelma Murray of Braintree Vermont, Grandchildren Logan and Taylor Murray, and several nieces and nephews. In addition Lester is survived by his "adopted" daughter Lindsey Modesitt and "adopted" grandchildren Savannah Jaska and Ella and Chase Modesitt.

Lester was blessed to have many wonderful friends and once he was seen and heard was never forgotten. Memorial donations may be sent in his name to the K-9 Bed and Biscuit, CNS Foundation for MS programs, Pathways Hospice, or charity of your choice. Special thanks to Dr Herrera, Dr McIntosh, Doug Hornberger, and the many friends and family members who have shown amazing support to Lester's family. A memorial service will be held on Saturday July 23, 2011 at 1 o'clock PM at the Glenn Morris Field House, 901 S. College Ave. Parking on West side of building. Casual attire requested.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lester Murray*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *One less star here on earth has left us to shine with his dad and protect us all, especially his family.*

Solange & Peter Rea - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lesley-*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are so very sorry to hear about Lester.

Caroline

Caroline Tu Farley - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lesley and family, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers and thoughts go with you in this time of need. Loren just returned from Ft. Collins with the news of what had happened. So I added your family to my prayers right away. Ann & Loren Schieber*

Loren & Ann Schieber - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Leslie,*
I'm sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. My condolences to you and your family.

Debbie Tu - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Leslie & Family, I am so saddened to hear of Lester's passing. May you find peace in your heart since that is where our loved ones live. I will be in touch. With gentle caring thoughts. Cheryl Beckett*

Cheryl Beckett - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *our thoughts are with the family at this time.*

Bink & Nancy Binkley - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Leslie, Lyle, Jackie and children,*

We were so sorry to hear of Lester's death. Our thoughts are with you at this time.

Lyle, we remember all the good times we had with you as you grew up.

David & Lois Wakefield, Randolph, VT.

Lois Wakefield - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Lyle and family I am so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Jackie, I knew your Mom for alot of years and she was one of a kind. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I think of you often.*

Sherry Bedell - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Lester was a great influence on my life. I have never known anyone who was so full of life, had such a positive outlook on life and so much passion for so many things (including sparkly items). I know the world is a better place because of him and a sadder one without him. I will miss him.

Kendra - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I will always remember Lester for the greatest; funniest and most down to earth man I have ever known to meet. He was dedicated to everyone he met. I enjoyed working with him for many years. My wife and Children will always remember him through his volunteer work that he did with MS Society as well as victim advocacy work that he did. May you rest in peace Lester, you will never be forgotten.

Joe Klein - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you Lesley, Lyle & family, relatives & friends.

Eleanor Towne - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM