



## Robert E. Perich

November 23, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Robert (Bob) E. Perich. Bob died Saturday, November 23, 2024, at home with his family. Bob was born in Leadville Colorado on July 9, 1941, to Nick and Mary Perich joining his two older brothers John and Nick. Bob's dad was a coal miner, and the family lived between Leadville and Oak Creek depending on where the mines were operating. In 1954 Bob and his parents moved to Craig where he met his future bride at a junior high school basketball game. Bob graduated from Moffat County High School in 1959. He and Jeanette were married June 23, 1962, in St. Michael's Catholic Church in Craig. In 1964, they moved to Grand Junction where Bob was anxious to begin his education. He worked full time in various grocery stores and went to school full time. He graduated with an associate degree from Mesa College in 1967. After his graduation, he, and Jeanette along with their two little boys, Scott and Steve, moved to Fort Collins so he could continue his education at CSU. Their daughter Christine was born in March 1969. He graduated with honors in June of that year with a bachelor's degree in business administration and was immediately hired as a buyer by Hewlett Packard in Loveland. He held several positions during his 30 years with the company and was one of the original group that came to Fort Collins to establish the Fort Collins Division. He retired as the general manager of that division in 1999. During his time with the company, he served on the CSU President's Leadership Council. He also served on the Northern Colorado Legislative Alliance, the Northern Colorado Manufacturing Council,

and the Fort Collins Symphony Board. He was instrumental in bringing quality assurance techniques to the City of Fort Collins and the Poudre School District. In 2000 he received the Collins Award presented by the Fort Collins Chamber of Commerce in recognition of his commitment to the community.

Bob suffered his first heart attack at the age of 38, and was one of the first members of Dr. Luckison's "Attack Pack." He was part of the CSU Adult Fitness Program for many years and eventually migrated to a health club where he enjoyed many friendships.

Bob was a man of honor and integrity with an incredible work ethic, quick wit, and sense of humor. Bob loved his family and was so proud of his children as he watched them grow into the wonderful adults they became. In his last days, he spoke of his grandchildren and great grandchildren with such pride and joy. He will be deeply missed by his family.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Nick and Mary Perich, his brother, John, and by Jeanette's parents, Sharp and Marie Lee. He is survived by his brother Nick, his wife of 62 years, Jeanette, his children Scott (Julie) and their children Brittany Correa (Kai), Nick Perich, Maddy Perich, Jovi Tarango (Karl), and Cole Lussenhop (Courtney); Steve (Denise) and their children Ryan Perich (Kinzi), Paige Mahanay (Sidney), and Mason Perich; Christine (Floris) and their children Matthew Ernst (Emily), Anna Vandenberg (Jesse), Dante Russo-Delee and Helena Russo-Delee. He is also survived by ten great-grandchildren and an expected eleventh in January.

A special thank you to the doctors and nurses at Poudre Valley Hospital Intensive Care Unit who showed such kindness and care during Bob's last days.

Cremation has taken place with private interment at Grandview Cemetery. A

celebration of life is planned for April 13th at 2:00pm at Windsong Event Center 2901 Saddler Blvd, Fort Collins, CO 80524.

Bob was a strong believer in education and was proud that he, Jeanette, Scott, Steve, and Christine were CSU graduates. Donations can be made in Bob's honor to the Colorado State University Foundation (<https://give.colostate.edu/campaigns/40250/donations/new>) with a notation for the Perich Family Scholarship Fund, PO Box 1870, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522 or to a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR 13. 2:00 PM (MT)

Windsong Estate Event Center  
2901 Saddler Blvd.  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

# Tribute Wall

CF

“ Jeanette, thinking of you and your family today knowing how hard it must be. I will always cherish my memories of Bob as I know you will. May you find peace in the days ahead. Many hugs,  
Colleen Ford

Colleen Ford - April 12, 2025 at 06:20 PM

JS

“ Bob and I were classmates all through junior high and high school in Craig, CO. He was a gifted athlete in many sports. I admired his work ethic, his dry sense of humor, and most of all his friendship. He will be sorely missed.  
Jason Sweeney

Jason Sweeney - December 20, 2024 at 04:05 PM

SB

“ Sam and Karen Blanco lit a candle in memory of Robert Perich



Sam and Karen Blanco - December 12, 2024 at 02:17 PM

CH

“ Dear Family, I (Carl Hartman) am also saddened by Bob's passing, I knew him as I was also an original member of the Attack Pack, along with exercising with Bob and Bill Richey at the CSU Adult Fitness Program. I left that program in 2014 when I moved to Greeley. Enjoyed our mornings at IHop across from CSU. RIP Bob  
Carl Hartman

Carl Hartman - December 09, 2024 at 01:02 PM

LH

“ Dear Jeanette and Family,

*I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of your beloved Bob, what a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. Though all of you will forever have a hole in your hearts with his passing, may those holes be filled with all of the many years of wonderful memories, your family is truly blessed. Jeanette, please know that I am near if you ever need anything. May the Lord wrap his arms around each and every one of you during this most difficult time and bring you peace. RIP Bob.  
Much love!  
Linda Hansen*

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**Linda Hansen** - December 08, 2024 at 09:38 AM



“ As a career HP employee, I have good memories of Bob at work. We send our sympathies to the family on his passing.

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**Jim Burrill** - December 06, 2024 at 03:35 PM

KJ

“ As I think of Bob I immediately think of his integrity and love of family. He was a steady force in the Perich Family with few words but "action" that showed his children what it meant to be a husband and father. Bob's sense of humor, common sense and work ethic surely set an amazing example for his children. His accomplishments throughout his years of service to community and his work are impressive. He was a wonderful husband and partner to Jeanette through their 62 years of marriage....what a wonderful love story! He will be sorely missed but never forgotten. I was one of the lucky ones to call him a friend! Love and condolences, Kristine Jolly

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**Kristine Jolly** - December 03, 2024 at 12:33 PM

DD

“ Dear Jeanette and Family,

*We were deeply saddened by the news of Bob's passing. He was the epitome of "the" perfect gentleman, a legend in his own time.*

*He will be terribly missed by his family, friends and all who had the distinct privilege of knowing him, a wonderful man who was so well thought of, a pillar in our community. We are genuinely thankful that he touched our lives. His "new" journey has just begun. Gone too soon, but never forgotten. Heaven's gain.*

*We wish that we were there to give you warm hugs and offer our support. Please know that we are always here for you.*

*With our love and heartfelt sympathy,*

❤️ *Diana and Terry Danielson*

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**Diana & Terry Danielson** - December 02, 2024 at 07:14 PM



CD

“ Dear Jeanette, Christine and family- I'm so sorry for your loss. When I think of Bob, I remember our planning meetings, sprinkled with stories of your family and funny little quips. And a silly request for pancakes.

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**Chapel Donna** - December 02, 2024 at 06:13 PM