



Ronald Kent

September 21, 1938 - November 17, 2009

Ronald James (“Bill”) Kent, II, 71, of Loveland, Colorado died Tuesday, November 17, 2009 in Longmont as the result of an automobile accident. He was born September 21, 1938, in Scottsbluff, Nebraska to the late Ronald James and Kathleen Wilhelmina (Moore) Kent. He graduated from Sterling High School in 1956. He served in the U.S. Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1962. He earned a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1966 and an M.S. in Electrical Engineering from USC in 1971. Formerly married to Carol Sue Marshall, mother of Lynne and Margie, and Meredith Sommers, mother of Tara, Brandon, and Trevor. Ron worked for Southern California Edison for 10 years, during which time he received numerous and rapid promotions. In 1976, he and his family left the Los Angeles area for the cleaner, crisp air of Colorado. He worked as Assistant to the President of Colorado Ute Electric Association in Montrose, Colorado. In 1979, he embarked on a major career change and purchased the Rio Blanco County Abstract Company in Meeker, Colorado. He managed and worked tirelessly at the abstract company for some 20 years. After leaving Meeker, he was employed by various companies in the greater Fort Collins area. Ron was a faithful member of St. Peter’s Anglican Church in Fort Collins, Colorado. A highlight of his life was attending the men’s conference every year. He served communion to shut-ins and he was always eager to provide acts of service wherever he could. Ron was a 32nd degree Mason. Over the years he was also a member of the Elk’s Club, the Lion’s Club, and

Gideons International. Ron enjoyed skiing, reading books, watching football, and learning about computers. Ron is survived by daughter and son-in law Lynne and Jerry Berry and grandchildren Josiah, Jonathan, Kayla, Michael, and Nicole of Moffat, Colorado; daughter and son-in-law Margie and Aron Wong and grandson Alexander of Mountain View, California; and sister and brother-in-law Rolleen and Jim McIlwrath of Stockton, California and nephews Mike and Kevin and niece Molly. He was preceded in death by his parents Ronald and Kathleen Kent. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Peter's Anglican Church, 308 East County Road 30, Fort Collins, CO. The Rev. Jim Paul will officiate the service. Donations to the Ron Kent Memorial Fund will be accepted by St. Peter's Anglican Church for the education of Ron's grandchildren.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald Kent*

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“ *Ron started working with us at Measured Progress this past June and from the moment I met him I knew he would be a welcome addition to our "work family". Ron always greeted each of us by name, with a smile on his face and a sparkle in his eyes. He was here with us for such a short time, but he left all who had the opportunity to know him the gift of friendship. We will miss his smile, We will miss him.*

Shannon Kindred - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ron was a warm and sincere man. I met Ron through Longs Drugs Store and came to call him my friend. Ron and I met occassionaly to talk about family, life and faith. I pray for him and his family today. Ron will be missed.*

Jim Watson - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I met Ron when I started working at Longs on Drake. We connected right off the bat, and soon became my best friend. I'm still in shock and can't believe he's gone. I will miss him terribly. I still find myself wanting to call him, as we talked almost everyday. I miss hearing his voice. He always made me laugh when I was feeling blue. My regards go out to his family. He was a good man and I will miss him!*

Mary Grady - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Bill was in my class (1956) at Sterling High School, Sterling, CO. We were in some activities together, but didn't run in the same crowd. After graduation, I lost track of Bill until 2006 when we were planning our 50th high school reunion.

I don't remember who told me that Bill was in Fort Collins, but we did get in contact with him.

After some urging, Bill agreed to attend although he had never attended a previous reunion. After it was all over, he sent me an e-mail saying how pleased he was that he did make that effort and had renewed some old classmates.

While at Longs Drug in the photo department, he did some work for me. He was always joyful and so glad to see you!

After the reunion, Bill and I met a couple of times for coffee in Fort Collins.

The last time I saw Bill was at the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado convention in Denver, Oct. 2007. As I was walking back into the cathedral from lunch, I heard someone call out to me. Turning around, there was Bill. Both of us were delegates from our respective parishes. We spent about 5-10 minutes talking.

However, after this encounter, I again lost track of Bill.

Thankfully, today some other high school classmates who live in Loveland saw his obituary and forwarded it to me. I in turn forwarded it to all our classmates for whom I had an e-mail address.

Ronald Ramey - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Bill and his family lived next door to us in Sterling, Colo in the early 1950's. Our dads worked together at Stickeny's automotive stores. His sister, Rolleen, was then and still is a very dear friend of mine. I basically knew Bill as "the little brother" but I always remember how very smart he was. He was quiet and, shy -- at least around "us girls" but he always held his own. He was never intimidated by us -- he had a comeback for anything we might say to him--remember, we were just kids then!! Sadly, I hadn't seen Bill for the past 40 years or so but did keep up with him through Rolleen. Your husband, Dad, Grandpa, Uncle, Brother, was a very special person and I'll always fondly remember the "Little Brother."

Jeni Forbes - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Goodbye old friend. Save us a place. We'll be there soon.....

Bob White - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I remember your smile. Save me a place and polish up the gold. I'm glad we have our Saviour.

Your friend,
Lanny

Lanny Benson - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ To a special classmate. I had just received a e-mail from Bill, telling me his daughter, and family were coming for Thanksgiving. He had some things he was going to share with them, that friends had e-mailed him. My prayers are with Bill's family.

Marilynn Dorn - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MZ

“ You will be missed and our prayers go out to the family. Please call us if you need anything. Take care and God bless.

Michael and Yvonna Zobel - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I first met Ron at Longs drug store, he was always friendly and very helpful. I was really sad to see him pass away. He will be miss very much by lots of people he touch in Fort Collins. My condolence goes out to his family.

Joe and Kelly Conrado - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Our deepest condolences and prayers are with the Kent Family. God Bless you all with much love and support.

Ernest Wong - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Bill and I attended school from junior high through high school together. We lost touch after graduation, as many of us do. However, in '98 or '99 we began corresponding through Classmates and continued. Bill and I talked on the phone on a regular basis, he was always caring and concerned about how I was and what was going on in my life. He was truly a best friend! I will miss him every day. He, his daughters and grandchildren are in my thoughts and prayers.

Bonnie Spurr - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our condolences to the Kent family. I was lucky to meet Mr. Kent at Margie's wedding. What a nice personable man! Please accept our sympathies for your loss.

Andy Jones (NPI) - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I'm so sorry to hear about your father and my friend. He was much to young and full of life to leave so soon. It will always leave a hole in you heart, but trust me you can fill it with good thoughts and great memories.

*Most Sincerely,
Connie
Class of 1956*

Connie Dillehay Blessman - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Nancy (Campbell) Adams - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ I have not seen Bill since he used to harrass his sister Rolleen and I when we were boyfriend/girlfriend in Jr. High. Rolleen and I communicate on occasion and my wife and I did live in Stockton, Ca for a couple years and we visited her and Jim and the family there.

We appreciate your sorrow and sense of loss. You are in our prayers.

bob

Bob Pivonka - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *What does a good friend say about the passing of a very special person and a guy who valued the friendship of everyone he met. Ron or(Bill) as he wanted us to call him, was just a person who everyone liked and admired. He always had a friendly word and a smile for friends and business associates. We were classmates for many years and his smile was always infectious. We lost track of each other and then a few years back we started to e-mail each other and then we would call and have long talks -- really about nothing and about everything. We discovered that we had worked on some of the same projects, in California and after that we always had a great deal to talk about. Our last correspondence was an e-mail earlier in November. I will miss Ron (Bill) and his warm friendship. So long good friend.
Happy trails to you until we meet again.
Jim H*

James Hergenreter - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *Sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I have fond memories of him from DeMolay.*

Paul Morris - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Margie and Lynn, you and your families are in our prayers and thoughts. Wished we were able to attend the service for your dad but we will be with you in prayer. Trish has kept me up to date with your correspondence and the exciting news of your beautiful daughter. Doesn't seem that long ago when you two were classmates here. Hope we will be able to keep in touch. God Bless you all.*

Rich & Carol Parr - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Thinking of you and your family.

Shannon McKee - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ We will always treasure our short time with Ron. We became fast friends as residents of Sugar Valley during our Feb.-March stay in Loveland. He was our mealtime companion, pool partner, puzzle comrad, and our Bingo, Mexican Train, and card buddy. Besides all the wonderful conversations we shared about our families and common interests, we shall never forget discovering early on that we were sister and brothers in the Lord. Ron's faith was so much more than words; he lived his faith and was always ready to extend a helping hand of concern and assistance in any way he could. Our comfort now, as we pray it is yours, is that Ron is with his precious Jesus, continuing to serve Him and sing His praises. We look forward to rejoining him some day soon.
May Jesus comfort you now and in the days ahead.

Janet and John Arwe - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ I first knew Ron and his family after he purchased Rio Blanco County Abstract Company from my father-in-law. For the past several years I have been in touch through church activities in Northern Colorado. I have appreciated his warmth and desire to serve the Lord. Although I was unable to attend his service because I was out of town until tonight (Dec. 5), my love and prayers go out to his family in this time of sudden loss.

Verlene White - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Lynne and Margie*

Our thoughts are with you both on the news of your father passing away. My Mom called last week to inform us. I had not seen Bill in some time but remember the times when I was still in school and Bill would be giving me a hard time about my home work and studies. He was always telling me to keep with it. School is very important. It was a help.

I know it is a hard time for you and I will be thinking about you.

With our sympathy Dean and family.

Dean Washichek Family - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *I met Ron in the U.S.Navy in 1958. At that time he went by the name Bill. After parting ways in San Diego we saw each other in Japan several times. We kept in touch for 51 years, talking to him by phone the week before his passing. Today I can feel him looking down at me from that place not made with human hands.*

Bud Wiarda - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Ron was a mason's mason. He was personally responsible for keeping the Meeker Masonic lodge alive during some very lean years. He was generous to a fault, probably to the detriment of his business interests. He was a close personal friend of mine, and well respected within our lodge. He kept in contact with me since he left Meeker. God speed my Brother. Resy peacefully in God's care until we meet again.*

To Ron's family, my condolences. He was a good man. Kevin Amack

Kevin Amack - November 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM