



Timothy F. Roberts

January 10, 2020

Service update: Tim's Celebration of Life will be held on March 7 from 10am - 12pm at Avogadro's Number in Fort Collins. Anyone who knew Tim is invited to come share fond memories and any of his "eye-rolling" jokes. Breakfast and coffee will be provided. Tim was never one for tradition, so his family is asking people to come dressed in bright colors or your favorite tie-dye shirt.

Throughout his life, Tim Roberts was a great many things—a rascal of a son, perhaps also a rascal of a husband, an animated and loving father, a brother, a highly over-educated construction worker, an unbelievably dedicated educator, a rough and tumble hockey player, a teller of colorful jokes, a taker of long road trips with not enough stops, an appreciator of music, especially rock and roll, a rescue dog lover, a proud Cornish gent and so much more. At his core, though, he was an empath. He may never have escaped the grief and loss from his own life but he found solace by recognizing this in others. He sought authentic connection to everyone he met. He elevated everyday interactions into something extraordinary; unrelentless until you were laughing, always with him and frequently at him—that didn't matter. Tim had a particularly strong connection with troubled youth which drove him to become a high school teacher in Poudre School District. His work is now his legacy. We are surrounded by countless young people whose now adult lives were forever altered by Tim's belief in their value and their abilities. Over the last few years, dementia robbed both he and his family of a great many things. But

it never came close to taking him. His desire to connect, share a laugh and live a life well lived carried him and all who loved him through until the very end. Tim Roberts passed on January 10, 2020. He is survived by his wife Cathy, his daughters, Jennifer and Jessica, his sister Carole Olver, his brother Steve Rossel, his many extended family members and his near and far friends. He was preceded in death by his infant son, Justin Scott, his mother Margaret (Peg) Rossel, and his father Frederic George Roberts.

In lieu of flowers, the family would welcome donations to be made in Tim's name to Turning Point, an organization dedicated to helping youth struggling with behavior, mental health, and/or addiction. Donations can be made here: <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/TurningPointCenterforYouthand/donate.html>

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Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Avogadro's Number
605 S Mason St
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Tribute Wall



“ *Timothy F. Roberts*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *Dear Roberts family, I had the honor of working with Tim many years ago at Lincoln junior high. I was a social worker and counselor there and we started the peer mediation program together. Tim remains in my memory as one of the most gifted and best teachers I ever knew in my 30 year with Poudre school District. After I left Lincoln, our paths did not cross and I missed his sense of humor and good sense! I am so sorry for your loss. Judy Matthews*

Judy Matthews - February 04, 2020 at 10:28 AM

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“ Dear Roberts Family,

It is with deep respect, admiration, love, and gratitude that I write these words. To those of you who lived with, invested life with, and know so deeply how special Tim was, I offer my condolences and thanks to you for 'sharing' him with our community.

I was blessed to have met Tim during a professional transition time for me - moving from my classroom and world as teacher/coach and counselor, to assistant principal. Tim helped change my life, my perspective, my practice, my principles, and to truly understand at a profound level, getting the best out of people. He chose to work with students at Lincoln Junior High who had lost their privilege to be in mainstream classes. He and his awesome paras kept students who were hurting in a self contained classroom - earning privileges such as rec time, off campus field trips, and classes outside of his sanctuary. Tim was a gifted soul, with the ability to listen, get to the roots of conflict, and to assist others in selecting self choices to make situations and life for themselves better.

Tim was an angel in my life that I am eternally grateful for. He helped guide my trajectory during a season in both of our lives. After four years, we changed sites and drifted away from our daily interactions.... his love, inspiration, patience, direct communication and joy will be with me for the rest of my life.

Blessings to all of his loved ones.

Rick Ramirez - February 03, 2020 at 02:50 AM