



Randy Bolliger

February 5, 1951 - November 30, 2019

Darrell Randolph Bolliger (Randy) lost his 17 year battle with ALS on November 30th, 2019. He is survived by his daughter, Lindsay and her husband Aaron; his mother, Ruth; his siblings, Jim, Nancy, Karen, Kay, Mark, Jack; his numerous nieces and nephews, and countless friends.

Randy was born in Hays, KS in 1951 to Ruth and Darrell Bolliger. He enjoyed a happy childhood with his siblings and always looked up to his big brother, Jim. In 1974, he married the love of his life, Judy. After living in Los Angeles for over a decade, Randy and Judy moved to Tulsa and had their daughter, Lindsay in 1983.

Randy worked for years at American Airlines as a payroll accountant. Randy made lifelong friends at American, and remembered his time there fondly and warmly.

In 2002, Randy was diagnosed with ALS and in 2005, his wife Judy passed away of cancer. In the face of so much turmoil, Randy always carried on with bravery, strength and kindness. He even was able to find time for daily volunteer work at the Oklahoma Library for the Blind. Most everyone Randy met was an instant friend, and his lively and courageous spirit was contagious and inspiring.

With the help of his daughter, Lindsay and her husband Aaron, Randy was able to live a happy life, filled with laughter, joy, cinnamon whiskey, food, friends, family, and love.

Private Family Service. Moore's Southlawn 918-663-2233

Comments



“ Oh my goodness, Randy was the sweetest person. Always had a smile on his face. Everyone at American absolutely loved him. He will be truly missed.

Freida Selsor
AA Payroll

Freida Selsor - December 28, 2019 at 01:58 PM



“ Randy was such a great man. He was always smiling, loved to chat about any topic, and he was so warm, and kind, and funny...my world was completely enriched by knowing him. I am going to miss him greatly.

The last several years a group of us would gather at his home around this time of year to visit with him, and sing Christmas carols! Today I thought of him again, as I will do every Christmas, and I thanked God I knew Randy all these years. I hummed a few songs, just for Randy.

Sammye Dodds - December 23, 2019 at 10:22 AM



“ I had the opportunity of meeting Randy he was always positive, polite and friendly. I would leave his home shaking my head by his courage ..he made my day alot brighter and to this I thank him and will miss him greatly..

Valerie - December 07, 2019 at 01:09 PM



“ I can't ever remember seeing Randy without a smile. Such a gentle soul and caring individual. My heart goes out to all of his family and loved ones. Goes without saying....he will be missed but he will live on with all the treasured memories.

Linda Duncan - December 06, 2019 at 08:56 PM



“ Condolences to Randy's family. Randy had many friends at American Airlines who miss him also. He was a great person, worker, and just so pleasant. Everyone was better from knowing him.

Brian Harper - December 05, 2019 at 11:15 PM



“ I'd like to offer my sympathies to Randy's family in his passing.

I had the privilege of knowing Randy who volunteered for the Older Blind Program Telephone Information Line for Visual Services which is part of the Department of Rehabilitation Services for many years. As supervisor of the Information Line I had the opportunity to work closely with Randy. He was always willing to record for our listeners who are blind and visually impaired. If I needed a substitute reader, Randy was always available to help. He did an excellent job and brought much appreciated information to our listeners such as sports scores, editorials, TV guide listings, the comics and much more. He read and recorded for many years; for hours on end. He made a huge impact on many people's lives who would have otherwise been uninformed. He brought hours and hours of enjoyment to many who were themselves home bound.

Randy never complained about his own disabilities and never allowed them to interfere with his volunteering. He used to tell me he felt reading/recording helped his breathing and extended his life.

Randy continued to record after the Information Line was transferred to the Oklahoma Library for the Blind several years ago.

I have since retired but I know I speak for many listeners of the Information Line-we all truly appreciated every word Randy spoke.

Randy, you will be missed but I'm happy you are at peace and once again with your wife. I hope your daughter and other family members take comfort at this sad time In knowing that you have taught us all the power of volunteering and focusing on others rather than on our own individual limitations.

Thank you, Randy.

Cheryl McCarroll
Retired Visual Services

Cheryl McCarroll - December 03, 2019 at 07:24 PM



“ Randy was a long time volunteer for the Oklahoma Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped's telephone reader service. He recorded the bulk of the Tulsa World on a daily basis for the enjoyment of patrons all around the state. Although his main preference was the sports, Randy was particularly adept at reading the comics, political cartoon, Scrabblegram and Cryptoquote. I had the opportunity to meet Randy in person a couple of years ago when it was my great pleasure to present him with the JoAnna Peter Award for volunteer excellence. Randy's absence will be felt by many for a long time to come. My heart goes out to his wonderful daughter and family. May you find comfort in knowing that he brought joy to many, many people. Rest in peace, my friend, and I'll see you on the other side.

Becky Bates

Becky Bates - December 03, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ Randy was a fellow reader for the OLBPH. He gave his time to others who need help. He is certainly being rewarded for his efforts right now. Relax and enjoy your new life, Randy!

George Fracek - December 03, 2019 at 12:37 PM



“ I was blessed and privileged to meet and know Randy. He was a gentle, kind, and amazing man. He inspired me. I am so thankful that God allowed me to share time with someone so special. I have many memories of him helping with the afterschool program at Aldersgate. I like to hear him talk not only because he was interesting, but his voice was warm. To his incredible family, I pray for comfort. To Ruth, an amazing mother, I offer my prayers of gratitude for your life and his. Grace and peace, Marcia Shoemaker.

Marcia Shoemaker - December 03, 2019 at 11:10 AM