



Gregory Allen Vernon

March 7, 1952 - August 12, 2015

Gregory A Vernon, 63 of Kansas City, KS passed away on August 12, 2015.

Greg was born March 7, 1952 in Denver, CO to Elizabeth and Allen Vernon. He had a younger brother Stephen Vernon. On July 7, 1973, in Denver, CO he joined his bride, Evelyn Hofenstine in marriage.

Greg graduated from Aurora Central High School in 1970. He was a member of Alpha Sigma Nu Honors Society and graduated Magna Cum Laude receiving his Bachelors of Religious Studies from Regis University in 1988. He moved to Kansas City, KS to attend Central Baptist Seminary from 1988-1992.

Greg worked as a stripper and cameraman, in the plate making process at Colorado Graphics printing company from 1971-1975. Greg and his uncle, Ted Lewis, owned and operated Mercury Press in Broomfield, CO from 1975-1979. He was a Service Level Technician at Disney Direct Marketing in Overland Park, KS from 1992-2000. He found his professional calling late in life at the Internal Revenue Service in 2005 and worked there until his death.

While he was not called to the pastorate, he served at Aurora Community Baptist Church in Aurora, CO and First Baptist Church of Overland Park and Overland Park Christian Church in Overland Park, KS. He volunteered with Angel Food Ministry, and Johnson County Interfaith Hospitality Network.

In his early life, Greg loved being outdoors. He enjoyed camping, four-wheeling, and outdoor photography. He was an instructor at The Dark Room photography studio, where he processed film and printed pictures from his outdoor adventures. Greg's love of history led to visiting many historical sites in the nation and he participated in the Society of Creative Anachronism. In the SCA, Greg's love of history and Christ led to him taking on the persona of Father Augustine. Greg was always a voracious gamer. Whether it was cards, dice, keyboard, or just pen and paper, he was glad to sit down with friends or family to challenge skill, wit, or to just have fun in some other world of imagination.

Greg is survived by his bride, Evelyn Vernon of Kansas City, KS; his mother, Elizabeth Hofenstine of Denver, CO; his son and daughter-in-law, Garrett and Gabriela Vernon; his daughter and son-in-law, Rachel and Michael Marcy; his children by choice, Chris Spencer and Jamie and Dave Picow, all of Berkshire Village in Kansas City, KS; his brother and sister-in-law Stephen and Jan Vernon of Honolulu, HI; his uncle, Robert Ted Lewis of Denver, CO; and his beloved and spirited granddaughter Kailyn Jo Marcy.

Greg is preceded in death by his biological father, Allen Vernon of Seattle, WA and his father by choice, Earl Hofenstine of Denver, CO.

A Celebration of his Life will be held Thursday, August 20, 2015 at 3:00pm at Maple Hill Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at 2:00pm. The family will be receiving visitors after the service at 5:00pm at First Baptist Church of Overland Park.

Memorial donations may be made to Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or The Nature Conservancy of CO.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **20**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Gregory Allen Vernon*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 18, 2015 at 09:47 AM

LM

Lovely remembrance video of Greg - Thanks for sharing. Lynnly

lynnly marcotte - August 19, 2015 at 07:45 AM

MH

Enjoyed it very much. Thanks for sharing so many personal memories. Love the obit. picture. You're probably still working aren't you? Maybe we could get together some evening when Emerson is singing.
Marge

Marge Hartzler - August 20, 2015 at 01:01 AM

TT

What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful soul. Love you my sweet friend.

Tricia Titcomb - August 20, 2015 at 08:53 AM



“ *Gregory Allen Vernon*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ Gregory Allen Vernon

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ Condolences to the Vernon family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says Jehovah God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.



Williams Family - August 29, 2015 at 06:17 PM



“ We were reluctant square dance partners in grade school and sang together in high school chorus and Trojanaires. And, lo and behold, ended up as co-workers in KC at the IRS campus. Your enjoyment of life and people will continue in our memories. Greg, I toast you for a life well lived.

Mary Canham - August 20, 2015 at 10:46 AM



“ Greg will be greatly missed. He was there to discuss theology or any other important subjects or he listened and helped heal your heart or soul. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend. He left us to soon but I like to think he is up there having long walks and talks with the Lord and will be putting in a good word for us when our time comes. My love and prayers go out to his wonderful family. Valerie Taylor

Valerie - August 19, 2015 at 11:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Gregory Allen Vernon.



August 19, 2015 at 10:25 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Gregory Allen Vernon.



August 19, 2015 at 09:51 AM



“ *Ron & Cathy Staats, Andy, Rod & Kallie, Kendra & Reuben* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Gregory Allen Vernon.



Ron & Cathy Staats, Andy, Rod & Kallie, Kendra & Reuben -
August 19, 2015 at 08:30 AM



Norman
Prather

“A friend is a loved one who awakens your life in order to free the wild possibilities within you. [...] The one you love, your anam cara, your soul friend, is the truest mirror to reflect your soul. The honesty and clarity of true friendship also brings out the real contour of your spirit.”

Anam Cara: A Book of Celtic Wisdom by the late, great Irish poet and philosopher John O'Donohue

Norman

Norman Prather - August 19, 2015 at 07:36 AM

BR

“I worked with Greg at the IRS for several years and although I didn't know him well, he was such a smart and resourceful guy to go to for help. Always had a great story to tell. He will be sadly missed.”

Barb Rasnic - August 18, 2015 at 02:51 PM



“Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gregory Allen Vernon.”



August 18, 2015 at 12:33 PM



“ 56 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 18, 2015 at 09:16 AM

DB

“ Always good to see Greg at *Blue Bird camp*, as he arrived to have lunch and drive you home. So great of him to share camp with all the campers and families. *Darlene Bard*

Darlene Bard - August 16, 2015 at 08:57 PM