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Troy Kinsel was born in Casper, Wyoming, to George and Helen Kinsel, and his sister, Sheila. The family of four lived in Wyoming before moving to Texas for ten years, and then settled in Thermopolis, Wyoming, where Troy attended high school and was Salutatorian of his graduating class. He received several scholarships and attended the University of Wyoming, and then attained a Master's Degree at the University of Missouri.

After college graduation, Troy spent seven years in the Air Force as an officer, attaining the level of Captain, and earning a Commendation Medal and a National Defense Service Medal, along with various ribbon awards during his years of service. In 1985 Troy moved to Nashville, first to serve as a training officer for the Air Force, and then, once discharged from the military, he accepted a position with the State of Tennessee, where he had several roles and promotions over the years. His final title was Enterprise Project Manager for Strategic Technology Solutions division of Department of Finance and Administration. Troy provided guidance at a statewide level and was responsible for oversight and management of medium to large sized enterprise application and infrastructure projects and complex change management efforts.

Those who knew him would agree that Troy had a delightful, quirky sense of humor, a ready smile, and a singularly recognizable laugh. He was kind and was known to be a generous and considerate friend, though he was very conscious of every penny spent in his own life, and dearly enjoyed a bargain! He loved his family deeply and took regular visits to see them in Thermopolis, Wyoming. As a believer in Christ, Troy attended church and a men's group at Restoration Church in his Inglewood neighborhood of Nashville. He was a lifelong learner, always seeking knowledge, whether about scripture, personal growth, his career, investing and business ideas, or visiting new places.

Troy had several hobbies and talents, as well. He was an accomplished, competition dancer and a very popular partner for social dancing, and enjoyed leading a fast two-step, an elegant night club, or an energetic west coast swing; he was an active Boy Scouts Commissioner and a member of Scouting's National Honor Society with the Cherokee Chapter of Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge; he enjoyed travel and in recent years had several adventures via Caribbean cruises, his most recent trips were to the Mediterranean in 2015 and Australia/New Zealand in 2016, and he was preparing to leave for an upcoming trip to cruise Alaska. Troy also designed several extraordinary pieces of jewelry; was an accomplished Toastmaster; enjoyed gun shows and handgun target practice at the range; and was involved in the real estate investing community through investing groups REIN and EMG, and took trips to attend national investing conferences annually. Troy also served as a volunteer as a certified Alateen Sponsor. He was never one to brag or share details of his accomplishments or contributions, but the outpouring of condolences from so many walks of life make it clear that Troy touched many lives and will be sorely missed.

His two beloved, beautiful cats, Simba and Mimi, were a part of his family, and are now back with their original owner (Troy was to keep them temporarily

during her long surgery and recovery, and he became so attached to them that they ended up living with him permanently!)

Troy is preceded in death by his father, George Kinsel, his sister, Sheila (Kinsel) Anderson, a niece, a nephew and grandparents. He is survived by his beloved mother, Helen Kinsel, nieces, Stephanie Comstock (Stu) and Katherine Anderson (Chelsey), a great nephew, Colin Comstock, his girlfriend, Lavonne Olive, along with a host of friends and extended relatives.

A Celebration of Troy Kinsel's Life is planned in Nashville, Tennessee at Vanderbilt for June 11, 2017 from 2-6 pm. Immediately after the remembrance service, Troy's favorite foods will be served, and a final dance will be held in his honor. All who knew and loved Troy are welcome: Vanderbilt Recreation and Wellness Center (on Natchez Trace, park in lot 75 - no permit needed for this event - walk across street on path, past track, to front door of gym and follow signs.)

Troy will be interred in the family plot in Thermopolis, Wyoming, at a family graveside with military honors, later in the month. In lieu of flowers, Troy would be honored by a contribution to Room In the Inn where he volunteered for the homeless (<http://www.roomintheinn.org>) or Nashville Humane Society, because of his love of animals (<http://www.nashvillehumane.org>). All notices of gifts in his honor, along with cards or letters of condolence, can be sent to Mrs. Helen Kinsel and Family, 160 N Cowell, Casper, Wyoming 82601.

Tribute Wall



“ Troy Kinsel

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Troy. I didn't know him very well, or for very long, but for the short time we spent together dancing; he was truly kind. May God comfort his family and friends during this difficult time of loss and thereafter.*

Michelle Tomerlin - June 23, 2017 at 01:39 PM



“ *Of all the difficulties we face in this life. The loss of a loved one in death can surely be the most difficult to bear. We can though find a measure of comfort and support from the bible. There are many bible passages that tell us about hope and promise of a much better future as well as the wonderful hope of the resurrection. One of my favorites is found at Acts 24:15 were Paul talks about his hope in the resurrection. I encourage any that have been touched by this loss or any loss to when the time is right seek comfort from the scriptures. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. My deepest condolences to all touched by this loss*

Ivan Leigh - June 10, 2017 at 04:05 PM



“ *EMG won't be the same without you, Troy. Thank you for years of support, for challenging me to continually up my game and for many GREAT questions! Thanks for being a wonderful RE partner and friend. Ginny*

virginia n pitts - May 25, 2017 at 02:34 AM