



Rex Layne Smith

April 30, 1953 - April 18, 2012

REX LAYNE SMITH April 30, 1953 ~ April 18, 2012 Rex Layne Smith, age 58, of Sandy, OR, died on April 18, 2012 at Ray Hickey Hospice House in Vancouver, WA. He was born in Albany, OR to Earl and Margaret Smith. Mr. Smith was a Systems Analyst for Regence Blue Shield in Portland, OR for more than 20 years. He enjoyed travel, nature and hiking. Rex is survived by his mother, Margaret Smith of Vancouver; sister, Marcia Harrison of Snowflake, AZ; brother, James Smith of Reno, NV; sister, Connie Dickerson of Yermo, CA; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Catherine Smith; his father, Earl Smith; and his sister, Candee Smith. A memorial service will be held Sat., May 12, 12:30 p.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Funeral Chapel in Vancouver. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association .

Tribute Wall

AS

“ 2-22-2014 - I just discovered the passing of my half-brother Rex, and he is sorely missed. Rex is additionally survived by my sister, Nancy Susan Smith (Murphy) of Tolland, CT. I shall happily respond to any emails. Due to 24 years in the radio and TV broadcast industry, my legal name eventually became Alex King. alexking19422@live.com

Albert Buddy Smith - February 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We are deeply saddened to hear of Rex's passing. Our deepest condolences to the Smith and Kephart families. We are comforted, however, that Rex is reunited with his beloved wife, Cathy, our wonderful niece and sweet cousin. With warmest memories of Rex, "Uncle" Howard, Charlotte and Charles.

The Johnson Family - May 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ Rex was my lead when I joined the Imaging team at Regence. His sense of humor made work a lot of fun. He was a great mentor and a caring friend. I will miss the conversation and laughter during our group lunches. It was a privilege to have known him. Rest in peace, Rex.

Patt Tuck-Lee - April 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I met Rex and his wife Cathy 22 years ago at a family wedding at Lake Tahoe. But I really got to know the caring, compassionate, giving person that he was these past four months as his health failed. I miss his wit, charm and companionship every day and he will remain with me forever.

John Bradley - April 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I had the honor of working with Rex at Regence, his sense of humor and calm enjoyment of life will deeply be missed. My heart felt condolences to Rex's family and friends. RIP Rex, until we meet again. John C

John Coutu - April 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

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Marcia-Lee H. - April 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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MS

“ I also worked with Rex at Regence. He had a great sense of humor. I remember when he turned support of the COLD system over to another coworker, Patt. With a grand flourish, he presented her with a gold ice scraper, as a symbol of the responsibility she was taking on. Rest in peace, Rex.

Margo Stark - April 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ I had the pleasure to work with Rex at Regence for a few years and really enjoyed him as a colleague. One year Rex and I went to Las Vegas for a FileNet conference and he either had been there before or had done research on the best places for buffets and what to see. We didn't do any gambling, as we both felt we worked to hard to give it back to the casino's. I will miss Rex's humor and wit. May your fond memories of Rex comfort you in the days ahead.

Rob Friday - April 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM