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Robert W. Arter, 62 died March 7, 2009 at Kaiser Fontana Medical Center. Bob was born in Richmond California October 27, 1946. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He was a freelance writer and a contributing editor to many literary journals including Smokelong Quarterly, Gator Springs Gazette, Literary Potpourri and Night Train.

A graduate of Colton H.S. class of 1964, Occidental College 1968 and most recently CSUSB with a degree in Computer Programming.

Survivors include his wife of 28 years Christina Baer Arter, son Kiran Lee Arter of Grand Terrace, Mother Madeline Arter of Colton, sisters and brothers- in -law Carole and Gary Wetherington of Brush Prairie Washington, Susan and Darrell Hill of Westchester CA, Nancy and Steve Burger of Redondo Beach CA. He also leaves behind nieces and nephews.

A burial is scheduled at Riverside National cemetery on Friday March 13, 2009 at 10AM. A Memorial Service will be held at the Mission Assistencia, Barton Road, Redlands Friday March 13 at 12 noon.

Donations may be made in honor of Bob to the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, a foundation dedicated to research for a cure of spinal cord injuries. www.christopherreeve.org, Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation 636 Morris Turnpike Suite 3A Short Hills, N.J. 07078.

Tribute Wall

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Anonymous posted:

Bob will be missed. He was a true inspiration to all. His thrust for understanding went far beyond expectations. My deepest condolences to his family, in particular his mother who I had the pleasure of meeting. ##imported-begin##Tim Usher##imported-end##

March 15 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bob has been a true friend to all of us. When I had the good fortune to meet Chris and Kiran with Bob, I could feel the warmth, fellowship and strength in the family home. It was that nurturing, care and love which allowed him to share so much of his life with us. I will be ever grateful to you for that. I miss him so and will keep you in my thoughts with him.##imported-begin##Carrie Berry##imported-end##

March 14 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We will miss Bob a lot. His clear insights, perseverance, and sense of humor in the face of adversity are hard to find. He was a far better student than most, in spite of his physical challenges. Our deepest sympathy to his family.##imported-begin##Yasha Karant and Karen Kolehmainen##imported-end##

March 13 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bob, you are gone, but not forgotten."He shall raise you up on eagle's wings"##imported-begin##Dr. Richard Botting##imported-end##

March 12 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bob was the very best of Zoetrope, the very best of men, the very best of humanity, the very best. I loved him, his generous spirit, his unique talent, his deep intelligence, quick wit and broad humor, his kindness, his sweetness, his appetite for life...and I am one of many many friends whose lives he profoundly touched. I regret the things I didn't say and do and be for him, but I don't think he has regrets. His sweet presence is with me, with all of us, comforting us with a wink and a smooch, as only he could.##imported-begin##Maryanne Stahl##imported-end##

March 12 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Although I never met him, I will miss Bob because he was my friend. His big, generous personality, his sense of humor, his genuine caring about people--they made him truly a special person. My deepest sympathies to the family. ##imported-begin##Lydia Fazio Theys##imported-end##

March 12 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Chris:I'm saddened by your loss of Bob. He was one of the world's unique and great individuals and the world will be a lesser place with him gon.Sincerely;Gerard (GC) Smith ##imported-begin##Gerard C. Smith##imported-end##

March 12 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bob was my good friend for 10 years or so and yet I live thousands of miles away in another country and we never met. He brightened my day on many, many occasions at Zoetrope and I'm going to miss him very much. He was an extremely nice man, a kind and thoughtful man, a dear man. He was also a truly great writer. My sincere condolences to his family.##imported-begin##Tom Saunders##imported-end##

March 12 at 5:00 PM

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Anonymous posted:

I can't express how beloved Bob Arter was in our Zoetrope writer's community. Bob was funny, smart, a brilliant writer, a generous and dear friend. My heartfelt condolences to all he left behind. Rest, dear buddy. Alicia##imported-begin##Alicia Gifford##imported-end##

March 11 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

It's hard for me to state just how much Bob meant to so many writers, how generous he was with his time and his abilities. I posted elsewhere that Bob was sort of a mentor to me, probably without his even realizing it. He guest edited the 17th issue of SmokeLong Quarterly, and the careful consideration and (in many cases) very specific line edits that he gave to each submission showed how deeply he loved and respected writers everywhere. I doubt that the writers who submitted their work for that issue will ever know just how much Bob gave to them. I do know, however, how much it meant to me, and what a lesson in humility, love, and generosity it was. Over the years, Zoetrope (the online writing workshop many writers frequent) has lost some of its members too early, but never has there been a passing that left such a hole in our collective hearts as Bob's, while at the same time leaving our hearts so much fuller than we could have imagined for the time we had with him. We love you, Bob. You are deeply, deeply missed.##imported-begin##Dave Clapper##imported-end##

March 11 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bob was a wonderful writer, extraordinary man, good friend. He will be missed dearly by everyone he touched. My thoughts are with all of his family and close friends. May he rest in peace. ##imported-begin##Debbie Ann Ice##imported-end##

March 11 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Mrs. Arter, I'm deeply sorry for your loss. As I read the obituary at Zoetrope, I realized the Randall: my husband, graduated with Bob from Occidental, class of '68 and I think I met Bob personally in the past. You and your family are in my prayers. Mrs. J. Randall Smith##imported-begin##Mr. and Mrs. J. Randall Smith##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. May Bob find the peace and freedom that was always in his heart. God bless you all With love The Johnson Family ##imported-begin## peggy lee johnson ##imported-end##

March 11 at 5:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring ROBERT by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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