



Carl Dale Peterson

June 8, 1946 - February 16, 2012

Peterson, Carl Dale was born on June 8, 1946, in Detroit, MI to Dolores and Carl Peterson. He passed away on February 16, 2012, at the age of 65. Carl was a graduate of Dearborn High School '64 and Ferris State University where he was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, Alpha Delta Sigma Advertising Fraternity, and Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Fraternity. He began his career with Burroughs Corporation and more recently worked in his own software consulting business, Nexus Software. He was a member of the APICS and MPUG professional societies, and was an active member of the Plymouth Elks. Carl is survived by his wife Roberta ("Robbi"), sister Karin (Chuck) Swearingen, brother Chris Peterson, and half-sister Lisa (Kent) LaRoque, as well as nieces and nephews Kristy, Charlie, Katherine, Ann, Erik, Stephen, Jonathan and Anna, four great nieces and nephews, and many, many friends. Visitation Thurs 3-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (Btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth with the Plymouth Elks Memorial Service at 7 PM followed by personal recollections in celebration of Carl's life. Instate Fri 10 AM until the 10:30 AM Funeral Mass at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 W. Warren Rd, Canton. Memorials may be made to Easter Seals Michigan or The Phi Sigma Kappa Foundation-memo Carl Peterson. To leave a message for the family, please use the View and Condolences tab on this page.

Tribute Wall



“ *Carl Dale Peterson*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *I'm sorry for your loss. Death is our common enemy as it affects all of us. I therefore want to encourage the family to take heart and be hopeful in the promise by Jehovah God, that he will wipe every tear and no more will be any death again. Death will be brought to nothing, Isaiah 25:8 and 1Corinthians 15:28. God by means of Jesus will call and all that died will hear his voice and come out. John 5:25. We have an opportunity to see our dead loved ones come back to life again and never to die. What a wonderful moment that will be!*

Peggy - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM



“ *I just found out about Carl's passing late last week. I first met Carl at the Michigan Progress Users Group some fifteen years ago, and he was always a source of knowledge and inspiration. My thoughts and prayers go out to Robbi and the rest of Carl's family.*

Scott Dulecki - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM



“ *Robbie, I was so sorry to just read about your loss. When I ran into the two of you last summer, after not seeing Carl for decades, it was as if no time had passed. He looked and acted exactly the same -- always happy, energetic, and kind. May all your wonderful memories help you get through this most difficult time. I will pray for you and your family.*

Sharon Shaway Nietzsche - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

CM

“ Dear Robbi, I was fortunate to work with Carl when he consulted at Byrne Electrical. He was such a kind, caring person. I loved working on events with him and I have often thought about him since leaving the company. My heart goes out to you! He was such a special person.

Christine Maddox - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

TD

“ Robbi, We are so, so very sad of the news of Pete's passing. Our hearts, prayers and thoughts are with you now. I am also very sorry that I was not able to make the trip with Patti. We would love to try and visit when the weather is warmer. Again we are sorry for what you are going through now. Wish we could be there to hug you. But I look forward to seeing you all soon. Much love~Toni, John and the boys, xoxo

Toni & John Dant - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

MM

“ Robbi-you know how shocked I was when I saw Carl's name on caller ID - and you had to tell me what happened the day before. I've known Carl since 1988-he's been an inspirational computer guru and lovely person to be around. We shared a lot of information, quips and gripes. I will miss him.

Marilyn Berk-Alma Machinery - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

LD

“ Robbi... I am so sorry. I am praying for you and your family. Lindsay

Lindsay Derocher - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

JE

“ Dear Robbi, I am still having a hard time believing Carl is gone from us. And while we know he is in a better place, he is gone from us far too soon. His skill, tenacity, integrity and positive attitude defined his years at Burroughs and certainly followed him into his own business venture. Whatever occurred, Carl always had his smile. I hope you can somehow make sense out of his loss and I pray God will give you peace. Jim Ekholm Boca Raton, FL

James Ekholm - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BC

“ Carl will truly be missed, he was always the one to smile and say something nice to somebody. ADCO has lost a good friend.

Bette Beauchamp (ADCO Circuits) - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

GC

“ Robbi - so sad to hear the news last week. He touched so many lives, and will be missed by all of them. My thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family. Rest in Peace Little Buddy. Sincerely - "Big Buddy" Greg, and Patty Creighton

Greg Creighton - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

SM

“ Robbi, I just got your message this morning. Thank you for thinking of me. I am thinking of and praying for you in this time of sorrow and grieving. Carl was the best! I loved his trips to St. Louis and the hard work and fun we had! I thought of our relationship as friends much more than professional. Take care Robbi, Steve Mathews

Steve Mathews - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

CF

“ Our condolences to you Robbi and your family. I will always remember Pete as a very warmhearted person fun to talk to ever since I was exchange student back in 1980 with Barbara and Richard. Danny and Heidi also express their thanks to have had the chance to know him.

Christoph Herwig and family - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

RL

“ I just read about this tragic accident yesterday via the AACC. I am so terribly sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family. I made two donations, one in Carl's memory, to a friend's Walk for Breast Cancer. She just lost her sister. I somehow thought this would help honor two fallen loved ones.

Rosie Lemons - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

SS

“ I worked with Dale in the Burroughs Northwest District when he was the Spokane Branch manager and I was the Northwest District manager. He was a joy to work with to support the sales effort. Always creative, thinking and knowing how provide a creative solution. Missing you buddy.

Steve Skalski - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

SM

“ Robbi, I am so very sorry for your loss. I have known Carl since 1998 when he helped with our implementation here at Alexander. He was a wonderful man and i will miss him dearly! Praying for you!

Shelley Puryear/Alexander Mfg - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

MR

“ So sorry to hear about Carl. We wish to send out sympathy and love. God Bless one and all of the family. marge r. and rita k. (hoover)

marge r. - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

DM

“ Dear Peterson Family, I was an old friend of Carl's from high school. I moved away from Michigan years ago but would occasionally bump into Carl at Dearborn Homecomings. I am sorry for your loss, Roberta and family. Carl was always a bright star and fun to be with. Please accept our condolences. My wife, Judy, also attended high school with Carl and sends her sympathies as well.

Dan and Judy Mihon - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

JL

“ My dear friend, we had the best 4 days together before you were taken from us. We will miss your smile and your laugh.

Jim and Ginger Larock - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

MF

“ Robbi, I was so saddened to hear that your husband passed away. My heart goes out to you. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Michelle Furlong

Michelle Furlong - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

LM

“ Robbi and all, I am so sorry to hear this sad news. I hope family and friends help as you all certainly did back in May 2003 when we lost Sandy. Please know I am thinking of you. Leslie

Leslie Myles-Sanders - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

CH

“ I met Carl just once, in the late 1980's. It was at the Burroughs annual "CUBE" users conference, and he was giving a presentation on Progress. It was the first time I ever heard of the products, and I remember being spellbound by how cool it was, and how into Carl was. A few years later I signed on as a Progress VAR, a decision which has defined my career for he past 25 years. So Carl, I barely knew ye, but oh what an affect you had on me and surely many others like me, without even realizing it. Rest in Peace good fellow. -
Chris Heins New Jersey

Chris Heins - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BW

“ My deepest sympathies. I feel blessed to have known Carl

Bernie Walker - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

DH

“ Robbi We're so sorry to hear of your loss. Carl will be greatly missed by so many. I was privileged to have had Carl as a college roommate, fraternity brother as well as a true friend. Please accept our sincere condolences.

Dave and Lois Herbert - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

GR

“ Robbi, I am so sorry to hear about Pete. Although we wont be able to attend the funeral. You will be in are thoughts and prayers. Greg and Rochelle

Greg and Rochelle Ridinger - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

LS

“ My sincere sympathy. I'm an obit reader and was so surprised to see Carl's picture in today's paper. I'll always remember the "Bridge Walks" that Robbi and Carl invited me to with their friends. It was always so much fun. I will keep you and your family in my prayers during this very sad time.

Liz (Ruhl) Smith - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

PD

“ Carl and I were "alphabet" neighbors in homeroom through high school. What a great way to start a day, with his happy smile and sweet disposition. I enjoyed him so much and will miss his fun e-mails and his company at the next reunion! Robbie, I'm so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and your and Carl's families and his many friends. Patti

Patti (Philip) Dunnell - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

JN

“ I too was a classmate of Carl's . With fond memories, I too leave my condolences.

Judy Brady North - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

TB

“ Robbie and Family, Please accept our deepest condolences. Carl was a great friend and dedicated fraternity brother. We will miss his constant smile and enthusiasum. You and your family will be in our prayers. Sincerely, Dr. Thomas and Suzanne Brown

Tom and Suzy Brown - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BM

“ Carl was so much fun to be around. We are all blessed to have had him in our lives. We have many fond memories from DHS. Carl is one of the really happy ones. We are very sorry for you lose. Thinking of you, Betty and David Mayer

Betty (Fetz) Mayer - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

SM

“ Robbi - So very sorry to hear such sad news about Carl. I can relate - I too am a recent "sudden" widow. Hold close all of the wonderful things you two had as a couple. He will always be with you now and forever more. Please know that so many of us hold Carl in high regard as a fellow DHS classmate and our prayers envelop you and yours now and in the coming days of grief. It is not easy but many have preceded you on this path and many will follow. We all are here for you. God bless you all.

Susan Hall McCannell - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

KT

“ I am so sorry to hear about Carl. I always loved his beautiful smile and sweet personality. Please know I am remembering him with fondness and thinking about all of you, his family. Sincerely, Karin Schultz Thompson I graduated with Carl in 1964.

Karin Schultz Thompson - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BL

“ Carl and I were friends in high school, we lived just down the street from each other. When we bought our first cars I worked on the mechanical end of his Studebaker and he did body work on my Ford. We would see each other at reunions and then connected on the internet. We were email buddies for a number of years sharing articles about cars and the happenings in the Detroit area. I'll remember him as how he was, a genuine nice guy and good friend. I send my sincere condolences to his wife and family.

Bill Love - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

GD

“ Carl was a great cook! We at the block party looked forward to his pulled pork sandwiches. I will never forget his kind words, the way he remembered my son's name. I loved the great smile he gave me as he disclosed that I had named my dog Pete after him. The neighborhood will not be the same, but we will pull close together to help you Robbie.

Ginny Dean - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

SG

“ Robbi and Family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and family. GOD has blesseed us for knowing Pete over the years. I always enjoyed talking with him and will always remember is great laugh.

Sylvia and Ron Garrett - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

JW

“ I just spent a whole day at school with you and you told me all about this trip that you take every year I just want you to know how sorry I am for your Loss...

Jackie Ward - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

Jl

“ Robbi, Words cannot begin to convey our sorrow at your loss. We are uplifting you in our prayers, that God will surround you with the love of your family and friends, knowing that God has "Pete" in the palm of His hands. May God Bless and Keep you.

Jim and Diana Ivory - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

DF

“ All our condolences to Robbi and all the family. The distance does not allow me to come over for the ceremony, but i will be with you in thoughts. I have so many great memories shared with Carl and Robbi, my american Parents. Travelling and discovering america when i was an exchange student in the 80ies. We kept in touch regularly ever since. We had a grat time again this summer when i spent a few days in Canton. Carl's had a special ability to always make people comfortable with a friendly word, a joke or an encouragement. Condolences from Dani, Charlie, Sarah, Eric and all the Garbarz family

Dani Garbarz and family - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM

TS

“ Bobbie, May the Lord be with you at this time. We send you prayers and our arms are wrapped around you. Always, Tony and Mary Schmitt

Tony and Mary Schmitt - December 12, 2014 at 10:14 AM