



Patrick John Kraft

August 22, 1957 - January 9, 2021

Pat Kraft, 63, of Orondo, died Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021.

Arrangements are by Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

“ I just finished attending Pat's memorial. My condolences to the Kraft family, Pat's partners, and especially his two daughters. I was particularly touched by his son-in-law's words and feel compelled to share a similar sentiment. I met Pat in 2005 shortly after I moved to Portland from Ohio, where most of my family remains. I was alone until that fateful first dinner. But, not thereafter. Pat was my father when I needed one 2,000 miles away from mine and, in many ways, he taught me what being a good father, a good person, a solid citizen, and family are all about. He was always there for my wife and I. When we needed help, he was the first to stand up. When we were in crisis, without hesitation he came to our rescue. When we were hungry, he fed us. When we were broke, he always opened his wallet. When we bored, he entertained us. Every time we moved, Pat not only offered to help but he led the charge. When we were sad, he comforted us, and when we were happy he eagerly shared in our joy. He was front and center celebrating our successes and beamed with pride with that killer smile as if we were of his blood. Pat, without fail, was always there. It didn't matter if Pat was exhausted from a long day of teaching or day in the shop or yard, Pat always had time for us. He took me whitewater rafting, fly fishing, quad-riding, snowmobiling, shooting, and hunting for the first times and was always an intrical part of family and friend gatherings for well over a decade. Pat made me feel welcome, loved, worthwhile, and as if I was his own son, which he never hesitated to call me. My wife and I had no part in or control over what transpired in his abruptly leaving our lives. And it pains us to this day to even conceive he would ever think he didn't mean the world to us. He was everything to both of us. I will always cherish our time together and I am heartened to hear, because of his absence in my life, he was fully present in and as impactful in others'. It will remain the regret of my lifetime that we did not get a chance to reconnect, albeit I certainly tried, and that my children won't have the true gift that was Pat in their lives. I will do my best to carry on his legacy and to inspire others with his example. I love you Pat and, from the bottom of my heart, thank you! Rest easy Dad!

Ryan Altstadt - January 16, 2021 at 04:42 PM

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“ *My condolences to the Kraft family and friends of Pat. Pat was my stepfather for many years and he was always there for me. No matter if it was a flat tire or moving to new apartment, Pat was always there. Hr loved funny movies such as Office Space and Love Actually (romcom). He listened to classic music but also liked some hip hop and rap. He was "krafty" as we liked to say and he could build just about anything. He was funny, kind, and always down party. He loved dancing and going to Curtis Salgado concerts. He bbqed steaks for us any time we came over. I'll never forget everything he did for me and eternally grateful that had him in my life.*

Nicole Altstadt - January 16, 2021 at 01:38 AM