



Andrew Thomas French

October 22, 1961 - October 8, 2021

Andrew Thomas French, beloved partner to Leonard Holcombe for the past 23 years, passed away after a long illness on Friday October 8, 2021 at the age of 59 in Tucson, AZ. He leaves behind the love of his life and partner of 23 years Leonard Holcombe, sisters (Renee Juarez and Tammy Decker), children (Austin, Alden, and Mindy), 4 grandsons, 3 granddaughters, 2 great granddaughters, 1 niece, 2 nephews, and many great nieces and nephews.

Andy was born on October 22, 1961 in Mesa, AZ and graduated from Burney High School class of 1978, in Burney, CA. His love and passion for hair, fashion, and design lead him to study at and graduate from, both McMinnville Beauty College in Portland, OR and Edward Wadsworth Institute For Hair Design also in Portland, OR. He moved to Arizona in September of 1998 and on October 15, 1998 met the love of his life, Leonard Holcombe. One week shy of 23 years later the longest they had been apart was five days.

He loved music, his favorite artist was Dolly Parton, played many instruments, and loved to play the guitar and sing for anyone who would listen. He enjoyed Sunday karaoke at Brodies in Tucson, AZ and was a member of Casa Adobe United Church of Christ in Tucson, AZ where he looked forward to bringing the potato salad.

Andy is preceded in death by his brother Carter, daughter Rhonda, and nephew Donnie.

A Celebration of Life in Andy's honor will be held in the summer as he will forever be remembered as the life of the party.

Comments



“ I met Andy when he was a teen in Burney, Ca. He was such a sweet kid he had the kind of personality that grew on you. He was like my little brother, if you needed anything he would bust his butt to either get it done or do it himself. As the years went on we stayed in touch and any time we could see each other in person it was hugs and talk into the late hours. We kept in touch through texts and Facebook I only wish I could have seen him more. The world lost an amazing man and I lost a sweet, kind, loving young man. I miss him so much but I have to understand that he's no longer in pain and that he's up in Heaven working in God's garden with his and my mama. I love you my sweet young man and I will never forget you, your love and big big hugs

Linda Slater - October 16, 2021 at 12:53 AM



“ Clayton R T. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Andrew Thomas French.



Clayton R T. - October 14, 2021 at 07:48 PM



“ Tina and I met Andy back in 1983 when I was serving my apprenticeship at Macy & Son Funeral Directors in McMinnville, OR. He was our hairdresser, and would perm both my hair and Tina's. We became good friends, and spent a lot of time together. Andy was my best-man at our wedding when Tina and I got married. He came to visit us after we moved to Gresham, OR and then again when we moved to Cascade Locks, OR. Once he moved to Arizona, we were unable to see him, but we always stayed in contact at Christmas and for birthdays. Andy was one of those people, that once a friend - always a friend. We didn't have to communicate on a regular basis, to know that we were always there for each other. Our sincere condolences to all of his friends and family, and everyone that knew him. He will be greatly missed.



Clayton R Telfer - October 14, 2021 at 06:46 PM



“ Clayton R Telfer is following this tribute.

Clayton R Telfer - October 14, 2021 at 11:11 AM