



Ivan Lopes

December 7, 2012

Ivan Lopes Jr., age 70, of Fountain Lake, formerly of Kapa'a, Hawaii, died at his home December 7, 2012. He was born September 25, 1942 at Los Angeles.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Bushong Lopes of Fountain Lake and sisters, Lola Oden of Iowa City, Iowa and Carol Schwartz of Smyrna, Georgia. Ivan served in the U. S. Navy. He graduated from UCLA with a degree in physics. He was employed as a machinist and an inventor, retiring to the Hot Springs area in 1995, where he continued with his building and inventing. He was a volunteer at the Fountain Lake Fire Dept. for 17 years and a member of "The Men's Auxiliary Book Club" of Hot Springs.

As one of his online discussion group members said of him: Ivan loved to discuss politics, religion, literature, music, movies, humor, quantum mechanics and parallel universes, goats, chickens, skunks, and beavers, and various absurdities drawn from modern life. Ivan was definitely a "Renaissance Man." Ivan was a good husband and friend, and possessed a genuine enthusiasm for the many blessings that life offers.

There will be a memorial celebration for friends and family December 16th at 277 Hillvale Garden Trail from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

Tribute Wall

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“ Margaret, Please know that Ivan had many friends who are now grieving with you. I count myself among them. As one of his "email buddies" I looked forward every day to receiving at least one of his many missives which encompassed an incredibly wide array of topics ranging from his incessant battles with the beavers on his property, through the intricacies of Hawaiian pidgin, his workshops and inventions, to nuclear physics and various religious orientations. He was one of the most interesting and entertaining people I have ever had the privilege and pleasure of meeting. Knowing him was truly a joy and I will always treasure my memories of him and his incredible wit, his vast knowledge of so many different things, and his philosophical views of life in general. The void in my life will remain empty for a very long time... probably forever. With friendship and sorrow, Mikal Aasved

Mikal Aasved - December 13, 2012 at 12:45 PM

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“ Oh, Margaret, my heart is so sad for your loss of your husband... I send my warmest and heartfelt condolences and love to you and hope that your strength is strong enough during this time. You know you can reach out to me anytime if you need to talk, go to a movie, or any activity that you would rather have someone be with you. As the song goes "I can only imagine.." what you feel today. I love you, Pam Howlett

Pam Howlett - December 12, 2012 at 02:34 PM