



Samuel Tarnasky

March 1, 1953 - September 4, 2011

Samuel M. Tarnasky, 58, passed away on September 4, 2011, at his home. A celebration of life gathering will be scheduled for a later date. Sam was born March 1, 1953 in Winston Salem, North Carolina, the son of Phyllis Tarnasky and the late Dr. Ralph E. Tarnasky. He graduated from Bismarck High School in 1971. In 1975 he graduated from the DuPage School of Horticulture in Chicago and then worked for some time at the Loll's Greenhouse and Nursery in Fergus Falls, MN. Later he worked for many years at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in Bismarck, and was married to May Fong, formerly of Canton, China, in 1985. Despite difficulties and challenges he faced in life, Sam was a devoted family man, loved by all. He was a beloved husband and father to his wife and son. He was the favorite uncle of all his nephews and nieces. Sam was very adamant about caring for his mother. He would check on her each and every day to make sure she was without a want. He enjoyed such activities as traveling and fishing with his extended family. In his younger days he was an accomplished "shade tree mechanic" who could often be found digging around in the engine compartment of a car, or rebuilding an antique motorcycle. Sam is survived by his mom, Phyllis Tarnasky, his wife, Fong, his son, Charles, a sister, Connie Bauer, and a brother, Ralph F. Tarnasky. He was preceded in death by his dad, Dr. Ralph E. Tarnasky, and a sister, Carol Tarnasky.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Sam, my deepest condolences to his family. I have known him since grade school at Roosevelt in Bismarck. Sam was a gentle, person with a good sense of humor. He was well liked by all. On behalf of my family and my classmates, please accept our deepest condolences.

Steve Tillotson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Phyllis and family members, My prayerful sympathy as you grieve the loss of Sam! Our God is a God of love and hope. May God welcome and receive Sam with eternal love and peace. May you know the support and consolation of relatives and friends.
Sincerely, Sister Susan Lardy

Sister Susan Lardy - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM