



## Hugh Forrest Florence

March 9, 1958 - January 19, 2016

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Hugh was born March 9, 1958 and passed away January 19, 2016. He was predeceased by his parents Dr. Quentin J. Florence and Jean Cooper Florence of Roswell, NM, and Mrs. Bonnie Hahn of New Milford, CN. His two extended families will miss him very much: Jacki Underwood, his dear partner, of Bloomington, MI and many siblings: Quentin 'Tim' (Jan) Florence of Albuquerque, NM; Paige Florence (John) Hamner of Cape Coral, FL; Ridge Florence of Tucson, AZ; Eve (Barry) Papa of New Fairfield, CT; Shaun Spano of Hotchkiss, CO; Terri (Crandall) Spano of Nyack, NY; Jennifer Wiseman of New Fairfield, CT and nieces and nephews around the country. Andy Florence of Albuquerque, NM and Kerry Florence Brown of GA predeceased their brother, Hugh.

Hugh grew up in Roswell, NM, graduated from Roswell HS and New Mexico Tech. After graduation, he moved to Las Cruces, NM. There he owned and operated Doña Ana Motorcycles. He was always ready to help out a fellow cyclist and enjoyed the satisfaction of solving the problems that friends and customers brought to him.

This Southwesterner moved to Bloomington, MI with Jacki to be closer to her family. He welcomed the change in climate with good humor and appreciation of the new opportunities to go snowmobiling instead of desert biking. He put his mechanical expertise to work in Paw Paw, MI, at Paw Paw Cycles.

Hugh was a man of many talents and interests. He was truly ingenious when it came to crafting solutions to any problem. He could fix or build anything using materials at hand and his own creativity, and he relished working on his projects. He liked to travel and explored any interesting place wherever he went. Fishing and boating, cycling, and improving his home and garden filled his leisure time. In his younger days, he was an avid snow- and water-skier.

Arrangements by Bloomington Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, [www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com). The family suggests memorial contributions be made to The American Cancer Society.

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