

David Koehn Thobaben

July 9, 2011



David K. Thobaben 64, Eau Claire, WI died Saturday, July 9th at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire. He was born in Oshkosh, WI to Harold and Ruth (Koehn) Thobaben on December 10, 1946. He graduated from Sparta High School in 1965 and Ripon College in 1969. Dave had a variety of occupations over the years from wilderness guide to retail sales of sporting goods and ended up in higher education at Mt. Scenario College and Chippewa Valley Technical College. He was an active advisor for Wisconsin Student Government in the Technical College System.

He will be remembered for his sense of humor and ability to tell a good joke, along with the gift of being able to reach out to students and work with them.

David is survived by his wife, Sharon (Kilness), daughter Maya, St. Paul MN, step children, Greg (Ranae) Hansen, Rock Falls, WI and Sara (Jon) Goldstein, Cross Plains, WI, brother, Harold "Toby" Thobaben, Sheridan, WY, sister-in-law, Sue Thobaben, Sheridan, WY, nephew Clint (Julie) Thobaben, Waupaca, WI, granddaughters Elizabeth Hansen and Gianna Goldstein and his best bud, Margie. He is also survived by many wonderful friends, especially Dene Berman and Dave Rice. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Services will be held Saturday, August 13 at 11 a.m. at Stokes and Mundt Funeral Chapel, 535 South Hillcrest Parkway (Highway 12), Altoona, WI with Pastor Joseph Schultz officiating. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Helping Paws, Hopkins, MN, the organization that supplied Dave's service dog.

As Dave would like to say, "Time flies like an arrow.....fruit flies like a banana". Stokes, Prock & Mundt Funeral Chapel, Altoona, is assisting the family. Online condolences may be sent to www.cremationsociety-wi.com.