



Floyd James Punches

October 22, 1954 - August 2, 2015

Floyd Punches of Corvallis, owner of The Lock Doctor, died Sunday August 2nd.

Floyd is survived by daughters Hannah and Emme Punches

A memorial service will be at 1pm Saturday, August 8, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Corvallis

Tribute Wall



“ We are so sad that Floyd died, he would have been 61 today. I met Mary in a yoga class in Corvallis in 1981 and we became instant friends. I was new to the area and knew no one so sweet angel Mary took me under her wing. Floyd was her boyfriend and Doug was mine, we became fast friends and housemates, us the carnivores and they the vegetarians. Marissa was 4 at the time and Mary and Floyd adored her, she loved them as well in that pure perfect way that children bond. We later moved back to our home in northeast Oregon after graduating from college and Mary and Floyd would come visit and go on rafting vacations with us. We had so much fun together, laughed and shared our dreams, made the Oregon Country Fair our annual rendezvous. When Doug and I married Mary gave me a vintage dress of hers for my wedding dress. When Floyd and Mary had their wedding they had a bubble machine that Conor treasured, his chubby 2 year old soapy hands pulling on Floyd to catch more bubbles. They later bought their home on the outskirts of Corvallis and a sailboat. We sailed and camped on their boat on Fern Ridge Reservoir, so many great memories. I was pregnant with our son Tamson when Mary was pregnant with Hannah, we would press our bellies together so the babies felt their new friend. Floyd was an amazing friend, full of compassion, knowledge, love and talent. He was an easy man to talk to and truly knew how to fix just about everything , he and Doug were brothers that way. He and Mary were happy in love for many years, our rafting friends wives noticed how perfectly paired they were and said they wished their partner was more like Floyd, kind, generous and loving. Floyd treasured his daughters Hannah and Emme, they made him happy and proud. Floyd told us that he felt he was a very lucky man, he had found and married "The one true love of my life and had two beautiful daughters. Many people go through life and never discover their one true love, I did and I am grateful". Floyd, we love you dearly, your photo is on our refrigerator, we will never forget you! Emme and Hannah, our hearts break for your loss. Stay close always as sisters and show the world the beautiful shine that you both possess! Love always, Doug, Cheryl, Marissa, Conor and Tam

Cheryl Cosgrove - October 22, 2015 at 05:50 PM

SP

“ *I was so deeply saddened to hear of the passing of my dear friend, Floyd James PUNCHES.*

He was my fellow “playmate” back in the late 1960’s, 70’s and 80’s. We both attended Clark High School in Las Vegas, Nevada. We ‘hung out’ together in the same close group of Vegas buddies, both in and out of school.

I was in love with him from the start....although his heart soon found Mary Orr. So happy they were!

Visiting me at my new home in Eugene, they also fell in love with Oregon. We all shared my home and so many great times together. Searching for a place to call home for themselves....they discovered Corvallis. Floyd then, searching for a career, decided to go to Locksmithing School near Berkley, California. He thrived and loved his chosen profession. No one could ‘crack’ a safe like Floyd! Gadgets were always his passion.

I will forever cherish the many memories of them both. Mary passed in 2004.

My heart goes out to Hannah and Emme: their beloved daughters. No two girls could have been loved more by their parents! My life also, was blessed for having the gift of their love and friendship!

I will love and miss them both—eternally.

*Most sincerely,
Sandra (Sandy) Parnelle*

Sandy Parnelle - October 08, 2015 at 10:34 AM

JK

Myself & my brother Dennis Kennedy recently learned of Floyd's passing. He lived a few blocks from us during our high school years. There was a large & very eclectic family of friends we all hung with. Floyd was kind, gentle, honest & friendly. After graduation a small group of us headed out to the Tecopa Hot Springs in the VW Bus he drove at the time. Communing with the night sky while soaking in the hot mineral waters, camping out on the edge of Death valley. We were desert kids. Took a great day trip in Floyd's little VW dune buggy once. Right over Wheeler Pass on an old narrow dirt mining road. The pass over 11,000 feet was well above the timber line. You could see forever at the top. We descended the other side if the Spring Mtn Range into downtown Pahrump in Nye County! (then a 65mile drive back to Vegas on the highway. We all LOVED exploring all the hidden gems of our desert. And Floyd was a big part of that. We are deeply saddened by his passing and sincerely extend our sympathy to his family. He was a cherished friend by many in his life. May he rest in everlasting peace. In Love & Sympathy From, Jennifer Kennedy & Dennis Kennedy

Jennifer Kennedy - October 13, 2015 at 10:07 AM

KF

“ *The news about Floyd reached me yesterday, and he has been in my thoughts since.
He always will be.
We met in Las Vegas in 1973, and he has left me with many happy memories from over the years.
Keith Fuller*

Keith Fuller - October 04, 2015 at 10:41 PM

CA

“ *Very saddened to hear about the passing of Floyd. I met Floyd about 3 months ago when he made a key for me. He was an expert in his profession and I loved talking with him. Just a few weeks ago he was at my house making keys and picking locks on some of my coin-operated machines. We had a great conversation on the old machines and I could tell he really loved what he did. My condolences and prayers go out to his family.*

Best regards,

Cary Rush

Cary - August 10, 2015 at 11:15 PM

DK

“ *FLOYD WAS IN OUR HOME OVER THE 30 YEARS AS WE WOULD REDO OUR KEYS. HIS KIDS WENT THROUGH CHS WHERE I WORKED AND I WOULD SEE HIM AT CHS EVENTS. VERY SAD TO HEAR OF HIS DEATH. BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY.*

DONNA KEIM - August 09, 2015 at 06:13 PM

SG

“ *I stopped by to visit Floyd today and was deeply saddened to learn of his passing. We have lost a wonderful man too early. Floyd was incredibly passionate about his work and also an immensely compassionate person. I appreciate all his hard work serving our business needs but more-so the conversations we had about life, people and his pride in his daughters achievements.*

Sue Goodman - August 07, 2015 at 02:03 PM

CI

“ Just had the pleasure of speaking with Floyd a few days ago. We realize we knew each way back when I worked at the bank and he was one of our customers. He was truly a nice man and so sorry to hear about your loss.

Cindy - August 06, 2015 at 05:37 PM

AL

“ To Hannah and Emme,
I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I always enjoyed our talks whether it was years ago on the AYSO soccer field or in recent years in his store. He loved talking about the both of you and what you were doing. He was very proud of you! Please accept my condolences. He will be missed by many.

Anne Loewen

anne loewen - August 04, 2015 at 04:31 PM

TA

“ I met Floyd many years ago. I was the Video Store Guy and he was the Lock Doctor. We were friends for many years and we talked many times about this thing we call life. My deepest sympathy goes out to his daughters Hanna and Emme. He loved them dearly. Floyd will be missed.

tony arlyn - August 04, 2015 at 11:57 AM

JB

Floyd was always an inspiration to me - glad I told him so. When he started his business he lived with his family in the back room of their tiny store on VanBuren for some time to get his business established. He was a great guy and will be missed.

Jonathon Boundy, Expressions In Bloom

Jonathon Boundy - August 07, 2015 at 06:47 PM

IT

I met Floyd several years ago, he was the go to guy for my lock needs. We will miss him, My thoughts go to Hanna and Emme. Ian and Tammy from The Franklin Press.

Ian and Tammy - August 08, 2015 at 01:18 PM

AR

Floyd was a good friend and wonderful person. When I returned from our summer holidays, the Lock Doctor was boarded up and I hoped he was having a holiday. So sad to learn about his parting. I miss him; it's as if a little bit of Corvallis is gone. Anne Reiling

Anne Reiling - September 02, 2015 at 02:24 PM

BM

Floyd put five dead bolts and repaired an old front door latch for us on July 17. He did a great job! He was a craftsman and a very lovely person.

Beth Malitz - September 03, 2015 at 09:37 PM

JG

Floyd was a good man and a true fixture in the Corvallis community. We met when I opened a new business near his and he was very generous with his time and expertise. He even gave me a fancy electronic lock for free which we use every day. He died way too young and will be missed.

John Glass - September 09, 2015 at 07:45 AM

LP

Floyd was my big brother and I miss him a lot..He could be a pain but he was one of the best men I ever knew. Rest in peace big brother. I love you Hannah and Emme.

Lisa Punches Clark

Lisa Punches-Clark - September 09, 2015 at 03:17 PM