

Stuart Winfield Keene Obituary

May 19, 1953 – June 25, 2010

Stuart W. Keene died on Friday, June 25, 2010 from injuries sustained in an accident that occurred as he prepared to film a motocross event at Thunder Valley, Lakewood.

He was born on May 19, 1953 in Kansas City, Missouri, the son of Richard and Carol Stuart Keene (who passed away in 1969). He attended schools in Kansas City, Connecticut and Illinois before attending Colorado State University, from which he graduated with a degree in photojournalism in 1978. He worked as a photojournalist for PBS, ABC, NBC and CBS on assignments locally and nationally and on documentaries in the United States and internationally.

His professionalism and skill were highly respected by his peers. As an avid cyclist, he participated in Colorado's early bike racing years as a racer and as a videographer for the Red Zinger/CoorClassic/races. He continued to enjoy the Triple Bypass, Ride the Rockies, and Leadville Loop as well as other extreme altitude and distance rides. Skiing and windsurfing were longtime passions and golf was a growing one for Stu. Stu has been described by his many friends and family across the country as remarkably thoughtful, witty and intelligent, sensitive and kind, irreverent and fun. His curiosity, sense of wonder and wanderlust cultivated knowledge and friendships around the world. He was the guy who stayed interested in and connected with a host of friends and family and brought us all together. He was a "gem" among us and will be sorely missed.

Stuart is survived by his father, Richard Keene, and his step-mother, Jan Keene of Kansas City, Missouri; his sister Barbara Christopher and her husband Rocky Christopher of Vail, Colorado; his nieces Anna Christopher and Alison Christopher of Denver; his nephew Stefan Christopher of New York City; three step brothers, Jim Broaddus (Deborah) of Boulder; Tom Broaddus (Beverly) of Danville, California; and Phillip Broaddus (Angelica) of Berkeley, California; seven step nieces and nephews; his close friend, Ms. Shirley Ney of Aurora Colorado; and many good friends.