



## Richard Mark Frankhouser

July 1, 2019

Richard Mark Frankhouser, 63, of Lancaster, died at his home this past week after a year-long struggle with heart disease and nerve damage. Born in Reading, Rick is the son of Robert M. Frankhouser, Sr. and Nancy L. Dobbs Frankhouser.

He is a graduate of Millersville University where he proudly maintained a 4.0 average. He is survived by his loving parents, his brother, Robert M. Frankhouser, Jr. and his wife, Gail; his nephew, Derek A. Frankhouser and his wife, Nicole, Philadelphia; his niece, Lauren A. Frankhouser Rhoads and her husband, Phil of Hummelstown and many cousins.

Rick was a teacher, a musician, a runner and an inventor of gadgets his mother and friends enjoyed. He worked as a sound technician at Clair Brothers and traveled with The Grateful Dead and Kiss. He taught English at a private school in Istanbul, where he was determined to learn the language “on the street” after studying multiple languages in college. His collection of books and films paled in comparison with his mental catalog for his father’s appreciation of every 1953 MGTD ever used in a movie set. He played nearly every piano in Keys for the City for the enjoyment of passers-by and himself.

His friends and family have loved him and he them. He entertained, he educated, he amused, and his friends and family will miss him in ways never

fully described in books and greeting cards. Rick was a minimalist and resisted owning things. He asked for minimum attention when this time came.

Interment will be private. Family and friends will celebrate his life with their memories.

Contributions in his name will be welcomed by the Lancaster Public Library, 125 North Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602, the institution he loved best.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Mark Frankhouser*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Dear Frankhouser Family  
I was sorry to read of Ricks passing. I know it has been decades ago that we played together in Terre Hill but I do remember those times fondly. My prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.  
Thomas Smith*

Thomas Smith - July 08, 2019 at 09:52 PM



“ *I was so sorry to read about the passing of your son & brother. I will miss my semi-annual chats with him - he was so interesting!  
Diane, from Dr. Burgess' office*

Diane - July 08, 2019 at 05:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Mark Frankhouser.*



July 08, 2019 at 09:00 AM

JC

“ Nancy,  
*I was sorry to read of Rick's passing. Please accept my heartfelt  
condolences on your loss.*

*Regards,  
John Carroll*

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**JOHN CARROLL** - July 08, 2019 at 08:59 AM