



Valentin Popov

November 25, 2014

Valentin Popov, age 58, of Westlake, OH passed away on 11/18/2014. He was the beloved son of Anna Popov, brother of Violeta Maurer (David), Ofelia Bernstein (significant other, Jim Samuels), uncle to Kristina Maurer, Lara Maurer, Jacob Bernstein, and Hanna Bernstein, brother-in-law to Stuart Bernstein. Val graduated from Bay High School in 1975, received his BA from The Ohio State University in 1981 and MA from Humbolt State University in 1984. He moved to San Diego, CA to pursue licensing for Massage and Body Work Therapies from Mueller College of Holistic Therapies where he subsequently taught for 15 years. In 2009 he was certified by the Thai Massage School of Chiang Mai. Val was a passionate teacher, a life long learner and loved by all who knew him. He is preceded in death by his father, John Popov, age 89 of Bradenton, FL (died 9/17/2014), master photographer born in Yugoslavia who brought his family to the US in 1963. He started one of the first professional color photo labs in the Cleveland area in the mid 1970's. Memorial Services for BOTH will be held on Saturday, Nov 29th at 1:30pm at Renaissance Unity, 4853 Galaxy Parkway, Suite E., Warrensville Hts., OH 44128. 216-342-4585. The family will receive guests immediately following the memorial until 4:30pm at Renaissance Unity. Friends who wish may contribute to Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple 23737 Fairmount Blvd., Beachwood, OH 44122, the Salvation Army or the charity of their choice. www.clevelandcremation.com

Tribute Wall

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“ I am deeply saddened of Vall's passing. We taught together for 15 yrs at Mueller College. He was one of the most caring men I have ever known, a marvelous teacher and I am proud to say, my best friend. I will miss you more than I can express and I send my deepest regards to his family.

Peggy Welch - November 26, 2014 at 10:40 AM