



Dwight Franklin Bickel

1931-2013

Dwight Franklin Bickel, 81, passed away on January 16, 2013, at his home in Phoenix, Ariz., following a recent illness. He was born February 1, 1931, to former mayor Melvin J. Bickel and Ethel M. (Hackley) Bickel in Trilla, Ill. Dwight grew up in Trilla and Charleston, Ill., where he married Barbara Carolyn Alexander in 1949; they had two children, and later divorced. He married Cynthia (Gross) Petrie of Emmett, Idaho, in 1969, and they had a son together.

Dwight began college at the [University of Michigan](#), served in the Air Force during the [Korean war](#), then attended the [University of Illinois](#) where he earned his B.S. degree, 1955, followed by his Juris Doctor degree, 1957. After completing his education, he began practicing as a lawyer in Charleston. In 1958 he and his family moved to Boise, Idaho, where he served as Idaho's Assistant Attorney General from 1959-1963, and started a private law practice that he continued for the rest of his life.

Although Boise remained his home base, Dwight moved several times to pursue different business opportunities during his professional career. He was admitted as a lawyer in Illinois, Idaho, Hawaii and Arizona, as well as the US Tax Court and Supreme Court. Later in his career, Dwight specialized in trust and estate work. His proudest professional achievements were the books he authored, one for the general public, *The Real Truth About Living Trusts*, and a lawyers' reference book, *Living Trusts Forms and Practice*, that will be a preeminent resource for lawyers across the country for many years to come. The Idaho Bar Association honored his fifty years of service as an Idaho lawyer at a ceremony in Sun Valley that he attended with his oldest son. In 2010, after Cindy's death, Dwight moved to Arizona to concentrate on his trust and estate work.

Over his lifetime Dwight pursued many interests, including playing the trombone in a jazz band, acting at the Boise Little Theatre (earning a Beulah award in 1963) and teaching at Central Michigan University and Boise State University. He was active in politics, including attempts for Ada County Prosecuting Attorney and Idaho State Senate. He was a member of the Lions Club in early years, and more recently active as a member of the El Korah Shriners in Boise; he recently enjoyed acting again in the Shriners fund-raising melodrama. He also enjoyed camping, fishing and traveling. Two highlights for him were his years of practice as Bickel & Bickel with his son Dwight, and running a bike shop, *The Spot*, with his son Justin. He also shared office space and referrals with his daughter Debbie, to help establish her CPA practice. Dwight was a fascinating character with many accomplishments; he had a brilliant mind, wonderful sense of humor, and was totally human in his strengths and weaknesses. He will be missed by many.

Dwight is survived by his children: son Dwight A. Bickel, 60, and wife Lucinda J. Vergason, Edmonds, Wash., daughter Deborah A. (Bickel) Little, 57, and husband Gary R. Little, Middleton, Idaho, and son Justin D. Bickel, 42, and fiancé Lenora Franco, Kuna, Idaho; two step-children: Steven Petrie and wife Dana Petrie, Meridian, Idaho, and Lisa (Petrie) Osterman and husband Matthew Osterman, Nampa, Idaho; his grandchildren: Derek J. Bickel and wife Lara (Pazemenas) Bickel, Wash., and Alex R. Bickel, Wash.; two great-grandchildren: Linna and Nolan Bickel, Wash.; and his niece, Judy A. (Bickel) Besich, 70, Ponderay, Idaho. Last, but not least, his two kitties, Handsome and Sissy, that he loved so much! He was predeceased by his parents, his wife Cindy, and his only sibling, Melvin Bickel, Jr.

A private memorial service will be held in Boise on February 16. Interment will follow at Dry Creek Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Shriners Hospitals for Children, or AJ's Best Friends Purebred Cat Rescue.



Tyler James Henderson

Surrounded by family and friends, Tyler James Henderson passed into the heavenly arms of Great Spirit on January 23rd, 2013 at St. Luke's Meridian Hospital. Tyler was born to Donald and Sally Henderson in Bakersfield, CA on November 5th, 1970. The Henderson family moved to Boise, Idaho in 1972. His youth was filled with sports, camping, fishing, hunting and riding his motorcycle in the Idaho outdoors. In between childhood adventures, Tyler's house was often filled with his best friends hoping to grab one of his favorite chocolate oatmeal cookies made fresh by Sally. The family moved to Bellingham, WA where he attended Western Washington University and met the love of his life, Marni. Many lifelong friends were made in Bellingham including a

dear relationship with his niece Kailey. He rowed for the Crew team, fished in the ocean and jet skied on Lake Samish in between college classes. After graduation, he proposed to Marni and they moved to Spokane, WA to attend Gonzaga University Law School. Married in 1997, they added more lifelong friends in law school and spent any spare time traveling to visit family back home. With a law degree in hand and the announcement of his first son, Tyson, he accepted a position at Lane Powell, in Seattle, WA. His devotion was to his family, always. When his second son Trevin was born, he wanted nothing more than to move back to Boise, ID to able to share the beautiful outdoors with his adoring family. In June 2005 he moved back to Idaho with a position at Moffatt Thomas.

Tyler was a man with an amazing sense of humor and a heart bigger than life. He loved watching BSU, WA Huskies and St. Louis Rams football with his dad and sons. Being called "Coach T" by his football players rang true to his heart. In 2005 he started volunteer coaching with MPAL and later served on the board. He coached many of the same kids from MPAL flag football until their completion of the Optimist Football program. The players and their parents became family as they surrounded Coach T with such caring love and kindness.

He had such a profound effect on everyone who knew him. He taught the boys respect, dignity and good sportsmanship. He lived by being the best possible example for his sons and "respect" was Tyler's operative word.

He is survived by his only love of 22 years, Marni, his two wonderful young sons, Tyson (12) and Trevin (8), his parents Don and Sally Henderson, his brother Trent (Lucy and son Jaxon), grandmother Constance Maki and many other loved and cherished cousins, nieces, nephews and in-laws.

Our heartfelt thank you to Dr. Ben Bridges with whom Tyler shared many good laughs, the entire MSTI and Integrative Medicine staff and Eliah Stetson Brown who provided the family with spiritual love, guidance and solace during Tylers journey with cancer. He is a true Warrior.

Services will be held on February 9th at 1:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Rockies, 717 N. 11th St, Boise. In lieu of flowers, The Tyler Henderson Memorial Fund is set up at Wells Fargo to support his favorite community services.

Remembrances may be left for Tyler's family at www.AccentFuneral.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Accent Funeral Home, Meridian.