



Raymond Robert Van Lienden

December 13, 1952 - May 4, 2011

Raymond Van Lienden, DVM

On Wednesday, May 4, 2011 of Clifton, VA passed away after a brief illness. He was a gifted musician, played in many different blues bands, an artist as well as veterinarian. Beloved husband of Corlis Van Lienden; father of Rhys Van Lienden; son of Thea and the late Robert Van Lienden; brother of Dorothy Van Lienden and Boudewyn Van Lienden "Bobby"; uncle of Saskia Snuffer, Nathan Van Lienden, Dietrich, Darschaun and Aleaxander Snuffer. A celebration of his life will be held at The Barn in Clifton, 7137 Main St. Clifton, VA 20124 on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 4 pm. He will be missed by his devoted clients and the pets he treated.

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Robert Van Lienden*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *I met this warm and gifted man many years ago. He was one of those rare individuals that I knew instantly would become a friend. And he was. I lost contact with him after my dog died. That is so regrettable to me now. Your memory lives on in me Ray, and I'm a better person for that. Peace/Out Ray..*

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dr. Van Lienden was a great man with an enormous heart. The world needs people like him.*

February 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Raymond We talked last January and you told me about your problem. I had not talked to you since 8th grade. It was a deep conversation. I look forward to talking to you someday again.....
Your friend Tim*

September 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



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“ Dear Van Lienden and Snuffer families, I am so sorry for your loss of dear Raymond. He was a great example of a person, a good friend, a gifted artist and doctor, and he will be truly missed by all of us and our pets who were lucky to know him. The greatest achievements a person can make in this world are to take care of one's family, to be educated and share that knowledge, to make a positive difference in the lives of others and the community through kindness and charity, and to leave this world better than we found it. I believe Raymond did this and so much more. May you find comfort in this and in the days ahead, that your loving memories of happy times shared with Raymond lighten your hearts. With love, Randa

June 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ His heart filled the world for the many of us who loved him. I am so sorry for your loss...

June 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ He was so wonderful to our pets and we appreciated his kindness so very much. We will miss him a lot.

June 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corlis and family, Everyday is more difficult, but i am at peace knowing I helped Raymond through....

June 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corlis I am sorry to learn of your husbands passing. I know that since high school you were always fond of music. I am glad you were able to find someone who shared the same interests and that is really what matters. the time you spent together was the most important thing. it made a better person of you i am guessing. i am not able to fully feel your grief, but i almost lost my wife last year to cancer. and it isn't over yet. but we take it one day at a time and try to spend them together as much as we can. i do feel for you and yours. your schoolmate, M. Clark

May 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corliss and family, My deepest sympathy on your loss of dear Raymond. My memories of him are all good and he was a kind and compassionate person. My thoughts and prayers are with you. love, BETH 904-327-1768

May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corlis and Rhys, my deepest sympathies in your loss. I will miss Dr. V! My furry friends, Taylor, Riggins and Jeckyll will miss his kind words and gentle demeanor very much. My heart goes out to you all.

May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We did not know that Raymond was ill. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Raymond was well loved and gained respect of people easily by his genuine nature. He will be missed. Linda and Craig

May 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ He was a good man and I'll miss him very much.

May 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Raymond I can't believe you are gone, you took care of our animals and my mom and Rachel loved you, its not fair! You will always be in my thoughts and will always be missed!

May 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Raymond!! I would like to attend the Memorial service if I can. Teri LaMonica

May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Raymond was a wonderful man. To us he was Doctor V. He always took such great care to help us when our pet's were ill. He was a stand up guy. We will miss him forever. Our prayers are with his family. Andrew & Deborah Rood

May 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Ray was a wonderful vet and a great neighbor! He will truly be missed! My prayers go out to his family.

May 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Corlis, Rhys, Thea, Boudewijn, Dorothy and other members of the family, From Holland I send you my deepest regrets with Raymond's passing away. I am sure that with the time the pain will change in sweet memories and that Raymond will be for always with you. Love from your cousin Patricia.

May 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We send our condolences to all of the friends and family of Dr. Van Lienden. We thank Dr. V. for sharing his knowledge, compassion and love to our furry children. Love and Peace!

May 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Corlis-- It was always a positive experience to come to your clinic. Maggie, my wheaten terrier, and I were always treated with humor, patience and gentle compassion. Dr. Van Lienden was never too busy to thoroughly explain what was going on. After I moved to Gainesville, I sent a note to tell him I had found a new vet closer to home (longer, trip, rising gas prices) and to thank him for all his help in the past. He sent a very kind response that was certainly not called for, especially given his busy schedule. That was the kind of person he was. I will never forget that.

May 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corlis and Rhys, I'm deeply sadden by Raymond's all too soon passing. He always treated my many dogs, over the past 25 years, with the utmost in care and concern for them as well as for me. I'll miss his flaming red hair, his quick smile, and friendship. Please accept my condolences in this sad time. If you should need anything please don't hesitate to call me. Frank, Leslie and Michael Davidson-Gushock

May 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Corlis, So many shared memories of you and your Raymond through the years that I think of during this very sad time of his passing, I am so sorry this time came for you and your son. After time has passed, we will look forward to our Derby Days ahead. Sending my thoughts and prayers your way. Your Friend, Mary Beth

May 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry.. Corlis. I remember just yesterday all of us running around Falls Church in High School!!!! I am so sorry about your loss.. in my prayers...

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