

Longtime Boulderite Richard Weiman passed away peacefully in his residence on June 17, 2023. He was 68.

Born March 12th, 1955 in West Orange, NJ to Robert Weiman and Ruth Kram Weiman, Richard grew up in the city of his birth, graduating from West Orange High School in 1973. He went on to study at Trinity College (Hartford, CT), earning a degree in Philosophy in 1978. Richard married Teresa Kay Smith on May 10th, 1983 in Golden, CO. He studied at the Boulder College of Massage Therapy, but ultimately decided a career in real estate was a more beneficial option for a man about to raise a family. Originally settling in Denver, Richard began working for Century 21; in 1988, he moved to Boulder and worked with Walnut Realty until 2000.

Having divorced in 1999, Richard was now a single dad raising two sons, Jason and Derek. As he remained involved in real estate, he continued to be an integral force in their upbringing, coaching the boys in sports and instilling in them a deep appreciation for music. Jason traded baseball for golf and quickly showed an aptitude; Richard followed soon after. Derek dove headfirst into music, especially after meeting Victor Wooten, bassist for Bela Fleck & the Flecktones. The family met him while Richard was volunteering at Telluride Bluegrass Festival, and they have since formed a special bond. Richard developed a unique friendship with Victor, whom he likened to his spiritual teacher. Derek, a guitarist, benefitted greatly from the combined influences of Richard and Victor, and by middle school was playing onstage with Ozomati and The Derek Trucks Band. Fittingly, Jason would develop into a professional golf coach and Derek a professional musician. An accomplished musician himself, Richard began with the trumpet, then progressed through piano, guitar and, ultimately, mandolin, the instrument he most cherished. Throughout his adult life, Richard participated in bluegrass jams up and down Colorado's Front Range. In 2009, he began dating Helen Dohrman, with whom he'd been friends for years. The two shared a passion for music festivals, traveling home and abroad to attend. All the while, they talked about the meaning of life and loved each other along the way.

Richard was impassioned with golf. He recorded three holes-in-one during his lifetime, was crowned Club Champion of the Omni Interlocken Golf Club (Broomfield, CO), and teamed with Jason to win the season-long Ambush tournament in 2015. Perhaps most notably, Richard broke 80 at Flatirons Golf Course during his final earthly round.

As much as Richard loved music and golf, the role of father was his true passion. Jason recalls, "My dad taught me to be present, to let my actions speak, and to adhere to The Golden Rule in life. He loved music, golf and people, and he believed we should pursue our passions. He is missed." Derek relates, "I enjoyed playing music with him and making him laugh. We were best friends." Richard, in nearly every possible way, acted in the interests of friends and loved ones. He cooked with impeccable timing, gave incredible massages, mentored pool teammates, and visited hospitalized friends. When his favorite bar was about to close, Richard found a way to buy it just to keep it open because he knew how many friends would be devastated to see it shuttered.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Richard Weiman (d. 2000). He is survived by his sons, Jason Travis Weiman (Boulder, CO) and Derek Robert Weiman (Boulder, CO), his former wife, Teresa Kay Smith (Asheville, NC), and his partner, Helen Dohrman (Boulder, CO). A celebration of Richard's life will take place from 4:30 – 7:00pm on Sunday, August 13th at the Omni Interlocken Golf Club (800 Eldorado Blvd., Broomfield, CO 80021). Heavy hors