Walter Keith Nye

February 24, 1950 – November 26, 2013

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Walter Keith Nye was born in Beckley, WV on February 24, 1950, to the late Walter and Olga Nye. He attended elementary and high school in Hinton, WV and graduated From Duke University in 1973. He died peacefully at home.

His career in film and video began at Duke University Hospital, before he founded his own company, Research Triangle Scientific Films. He worked primarily as a lighting director for television, motion pictures, and for independent filmmakers. He also worked with his wife, Penelope, on films, videos, and award-winning documentaries.

Keith was the ultimate team player. At work, fishing or cooking - Keith was who you wanted to have on your side. His wisdom, humor and generous spirit inevitably made both the project and process better.

He is survived by his wife, Penelope Maunsell Nye; stepdaughter, Nicola Ripp and her family of Dallas, TX; brother, Kyle Nye, of Eugene, OR; sister and brother-inlaw, Marsha Nye Adler and Bill Adler, of Mountain View, CA; aunt, Cornelia Nye Mowry, of Gloucester, VA; nephew, Andrew Wice, of Madrid, NM; cousins, Nancy and Donald Dransfield of Richmond, VA; and other cousins.

A memorial service for family and close friends was held at Duke University Chapel on November 27, 2013 and another gathering is being planned. Donations in his name may be made to the Melanoma Research Foundation, PO Box 759329, Baltimore, MD 21275.

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