



Robert Thietje

Robert Duane Thietje of Plano, Texas ended his 4 year battle with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS, Lou Gehrig's disease) at 7:41pm on December 20, 2014. He passed away peacefully due to complications from the disease. He was 53. Robert (Bobby) was born in Naples Italy and later grew up and attended school in Virginia Beach, VA. He later became a proud graduate of Virginia Tech and soon began a career at Navy Federal Credit Union and later became a valued member of the IBM Software Services for Lotus worldwide team. He was one of three children born to the late Howard (Jim) Thietje and surviving mother, Rosemary Thietje. He is survived by his devoted partner of 15 years, Morgan Bryan Grounds. He will forever be remembered by his sister Michele Brandt and her husband Paul of North Richland Hills Texas, and his brother Scott Thietje and his wife Caroline of Virginia Beach, VA . He will also be remembered by his loving nephew Christopher Allard and his wife Sarah and his two beautiful nieces Isabella and Sophia. He will be missed by his many relatives and friends across the country. Bobby touched the lives of many people with his smile and generosity, and maintained his trademark sense of humor as he faced this disease. His family would like to thank the caregivers who assisted with his long term care at home and also the caring medical professionals of Vitas Innovative Hospice Care for their compassion and support; you are truly an extended family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be sent to "We Will C.U.R.E. ALS" - www.wewillcureals.com/memorial-donation.html.