



Robert E. Ankrom

January 3, 2013

Robert E. Ankrom, 75 of Pinellas Park passed away Thursday, January 3, 2013. Born in Columbus, Ohio he moved here from Hollywood, Florida. Mr. Ankrom was a professor at the University of Miami for 43 plus years. He was Executive Director for the FTC, he was a member of the Florida Cultural Alliance, the Florida Association for Theater Education, the Florida Theater Conference and Phi Delta Theta. He is survived by his son: Robert A. Ankrom; daughter: Jennifer Aaron; sister: Ruth Ann Bowman and one grandchild. There will be a Celebration of Life gathering at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Mr. Ankrom's favorite charity in his name. Donations may be mailed to: Broadway Cares/Equity Fights Aids 165-West 46th St., Ste. 1300; N.Y., N.Y. 1036 or online at broadwaycares.org in the name of Robert E. Ankrom.

Tribute Wall



“ *The family of Robert E. Ankrom uploaded a photo*

August 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *Steve - student/friend posted a condolence I am so sad to hear of Bob's passing. He was my mentor and my professional journey very simply is purely, absolutely and wholly due to his influence on my life. I was his GA for a year and when I became a faculty member for years used largely the syllabus, notes and even the text that we used together. In fact, without Bob's connections I would not be at the institution I am today and have been for 40 years. But more than that, he was a friend. We laughed (mostly), shared thoughts, dreams and ourselves with each other. He helped me shape my life more than anyone else I have known. I am sad for me and I am sad for those students who never knew him. The likes of him will not soon come again. Steve*

Steve - student/friend - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Beverly Blanchette - colleague/friend posted a condolence All of us in the world of educational theatre owe a great deal of thanks to Bob Ankrom. He dedicated himself to the theatre students and educators of Florida. He was a dear man with a wonderful sense of humor. He cared. May you rest in peace, Bob. May your family and friends find comfort in all of the wonderful memories of times spent with you.*

Beverly Blanchette - colleague/friend - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Ellen - friend posted a condolence Bob was an imp and a child on Christmas morning....a collector of cups and sweaters and people he called his friends...he was a son of Ohio, Miami, and especially Broadway....his NY trips were To See As many Shows as one possibly could in the fewest days and nights... His love of theatre and all apart of it was woven into his soul....and his endless work with SETC, FTC, students, actors, directors, teachers Leaves Big Shoes it will be hard to fill. He was a blessing in my life...Ellen D.

Ellen - friend - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dennis Sims - friend, colleague posted a condolence What a wonderful man! Everything about him was joy, giving, smiles, helpful, and knowledgeable. Bob was a fixture with Florida educational theatre and one of the pillars of FATE. He assisted me in more ways than I can count. He made me laugh at his comments of our set for Patient A in which we had a hole in the middle of it. No matter what I explained as to its reason, he kept telling me "I don't get it". I love Bob Ankrom.

Dennis Sims - friend, colleague - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

OS

“ Oscar Castillo - student posted a condolence My sincerest and deepest condolences to Bob's family. I was a student of Bob's at the U and he was one of the main reasons why I am a full time actor. He pushed and pushed you to get your best...always charismatic, always the listener and teacher....and friend. I also admired that he always had a great relationship with past students...if he didn't see them for 20 years and they came back, not a beat had been missed. Rest Bob...our prayers are with you.

Oscar Castillo - student - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM