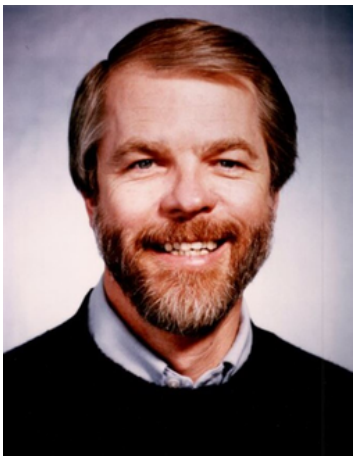


Carlon "CJ" Cooke

May 9, 1936 ~ September 18, 2024

Jay and I have fond memories of Carlon and Mary Ann and family as neighbors in Sandy. Wishing you all peace at this time.

- Lori Burnett

When I worked at the front desk of Treehouse in 2012, Carlon would come in at 9 am each morning and greet me with a smile and a fist bump. Even after I moved away, he was a dear friend to me for the rest of his life. I've never met anyone quite like him, and I learned so much from the way that he fought for the kids in his care and loved his family deeply. His life was a rich blessing to many people.

- Carissa Johnson Flores

Such an amazing man and friend and counsellor to me. Loved this cowboy!!! We called him 'doc' because he was always diagnosing and advising on our ills and needs emotionally and physically. He taught me, but I never learned: "A man has to know his limitations" We would sit in the hot tub at treehouse and share political views and how to fix America and at times when yelling matches flared up, the 'doc' would bring us back to rationality. He helped me shoot my trophy buffalo that hangs in my cabin as a reminder of what a great friend and man he was to me and everyone around him. We knew how much he loved his beloved wife and kids and he will be soooo missed. God bless you doc and peace be unto you and your family as we know you are in a better place with our Lord watching over you. Bud ps. I wear your cowboy hat with great memories.

- Ray Zoll (Bud)

I love you, Uncle CJ! I wish I could have been there. You will always be a part of my heart and wonderful memories of my childhood. Thank you. Big hugs and loves to all of my beautiful family. You are treasures to me.

- McCann McDaniel

CJ was a member of a local health club where I worked years ago. He and I had some great conversations, and I also had a session with him that included reiki and talk therapy. Although I haven't seen him in decades, I still have his business card, and I often remember how he pushed me to think and trust myself. I am close to finishing an MSW and LCSW, and I have thought about him often while working through this process. He is a piece of my LCSW with somatics and energy work practitioner journey. I am sure there are hundreds of stories of how he influenced young people to seek their potential. He is such a great person, and I know he will be missed by many.

- Brenda Butcher