

In Memory of Tony Joe Salvatierra

GBC Classified Staff has provided a scholarship to students since 1998 in memory of Tony Joe Salvatierra. Tony died on December 15, 1997 of injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Laramie, Wyoming.

Tony began work for the college in 1976. He worked as an offset pressman, college photographer, calligrapher, and technician for the college's Public Broadcasting television and radio stations

In 1974, he was editor of the college yearbook, *Vaquero*. As editor, he was in charge of photography, film development, printing, and paste up. During 1975, he received an AAS in Electronics Technology.

Tony served as a part-time instructor, teaching photography and guitar classes from time-to-time. In addition to his work at the college, Tony worked part-time as a disc jockey for KELK, where his fans knew him as "Tony Joe." He also ran a private business that provided music for all types of occasions.

His many other activities included: U.S. Army helicopter mechanic during the Vietnam war, coached League Baseball, Officer for the VFW, President for SNEA (State of Nevada Employees Association), volunteer for the Transplant Olympics, volunteer for the Elko High School/KELK Basketball Challenge.

Tony was born January 19, 1949 in Winnemucca, and was raised in Battle Mountain, Nevada. He attended Lander County schools, and graduated from Lander County High School in 1967. In 1991, Tony received a kidney transplant from his sister.

It's not been easy losing a friend and a co-worker of the college. Tony's employment at the college for over 22 years was like having access to a data bank of information. Anything you wanted to know about the college — Tony would know.



Thank you for your donation to the scholarship.