

In memory

T.J. Myers

Feb. 7, 1960 — Aug. 28, 1990

Charismatic heartthrob of the a cappella group The Flirtations, lead dancer with the Rachel Lampert Dance Company and organizational whiz kid of the Gay Men's Health Crisis, Terryl Joseph "T.J." Myers died peacefully of complications due to AIDS on Aug. 28.

A singer, dancer, actor, choreographer, producer, teacher, designer and adventurer—T.J. was a man of boundless talent and energy. There was seemingly nothing he couldn't do, nothing he couldn't make happen. He had the quickest mind I've ever seen. And there was nothing he loved more than a challenge.

His unexpected death left behind an army of friends, relatives and acquaintances: his lover Michael; his brother Randy and Randy's lover Jimmy Mello; his mother Shirley, his three sisters and one other brother (all in Iowa); Rachel Lampert and countless dance partners, students and choreographers with whom he worked through the years; the "FABulous Flirts" (as he used to call them, his voice soaring) with whom he created something that transcended the sum of their lives; scores of co-workers at GMHC; and thousands of friends and fans across the country.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Univ. of Iowa Dance Dept. or an appropriate AIDS organization. Donations will be collected by The Flirtations: PO Box 421, Prince Street Station, NYC, 10012-0008.

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Ace Henry Morrical

Sept. 22, 1961 — Aug. 7, 1990

Ace Henry Morrical died of complications related to AIDS on Aug. 7 in a Portland hospital at the age of 28.

A memorial for Mr. Morrical of Northeast Portland was held on Aug. 12 at his home.

Born Sept. 22, 1961 in New Jersey, Ace moved to Oregon as a young child, and graduated from Corvallis High School. He was a graduate of Albany Beauty School, and had lived in the Portland area for the past 10 years.

Mr. Morrical recently earned his teaching certificate, and had planned to teach in addition to operating Hair Devine by Ace in northeast Portland. When it became too much for him to run his own business, he worked part time at DeLoux, a hair salon on Northeast Sandy Blvd. He became disabled at the end of May, but continued to work on special clients at home, doing the work he loved.

Also known as "Brandy," Mr. Morrical was a skilled female impersonator who had performed at various clubs around the city. Several years ago he ran for Miss Gay Oregon. Drag was the love of his life, and he was believable in his female role playing.

He is survived by his sister, Regina Henry of Portland, and by his adopted family which includes Meg MacBean, Sweeney Ellis, Brian Smith, Opal Yansky, and many beloved friends.

Disposition was by cremation and a private ceremony was held at the beach by his closest friends.

Contributions to Cascade AIDS Project or other organizations to help people with AIDS may be made in his name.

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