



Tom Best June 27, 1946 to April 24, 2012

A bright light in the universe of NLP (and in so many of our lives) has become a shooting star! Our beloved friend, mentor and teacher, Tom Best, left this world on April 24, 2012 as a result of a brain hemorrhage. He passed suddenly and peacefully after an incredible weekend of teaching and a quiet morning with Bobbi and their dogs.

May he blaze a new trail into higher levels of Love!

Dear Friends and Waikis *,

Many of you may have already heard the news. If not, it is with a heavy heart that I must let you know of a sad passing. Tom Best transitioned from his earthly body to a bright light in the stars on April 24th. He died in his sleep of a brain hemorrhage, the cause of which may have been with him since birth. He was rushed to the hospital where efforts to revive him were unsuccessful. In his last hours, Tom was surrounded by friends and family as he made his journey home.

Tom gave his heart so freely in life, and in death he was also able to donate his physical heart. It filled my heart with warmth that on my saddest day, someone else could be having one of their happiest. With today's technology, it was possible for Tom to help as many as 55 people with his donations.

Our last days together were filled with love and laughter. We had an amazing Evolutionary NLP seminar, held out in nature on a perfect spring weekend. Some frequent recipients of Tom's teachings mentioned that it was one of his best classes ever. We spent Monday morning in each others company along with our dogs, watching the sun come up over the trees in our back yard and speaking about how blessed and lucky we felt to be in this life together. After a nice lunch, he said "Honey I'm going to take a nap. I love you. I'll see you later" and gave me a kiss. "I love you too," I said. "See ya later." Later never came.

I am so grateful for the 25 years that we had together, working, playing, adventuring side by side through life. What a fantastic man and partner he was. Tom was a leader among teachers in his mission to help alleviate suffering in as many hearts as possible. His words of wisdom and wit were like love arrows piercing into many souls.

Our mission from the beginning was to assist folks in moving from the contraction of life to the fullest expression and expansion possible. I find that looking towards putting his words and images into a form that can be made available to those who want to remember him, and to those who want to get to know his special talents, is a great comfort.

In the spirit of continuing that work, completing his book and honoring Tom's many efforts to accomplish this mission, we will begin working to make his words and images from 27 years of teaching available. We have set up a Legacy fund to assist us in this endeavor. The fund will also be used for creating and making available NLP and other specialty trainings for those who would not otherwise get the chance to learn these amazing tools.

I literally do not have the words to express my gratitude to all of you who have been sharing stories and pictures via the Facebook group, "The Grace of Tom Best" and sending me emails. I appreciate so much the love and support I've received. My heart is so full of gratitude. I love you all, for so many reasons, and especially for your Love of Tom! Thank you!

Bobbi Best

** Waiki is a Quechua term for sisters and brothers in Spirit.*

For more details on the "**For the Love of Tom Best**" **Legacy Fund**, or the donation link, go to www.nlpoptions.com.