



RIP Tom Dragosavac 1951 - 2016
Tom Dragosavac passed peacefully on June 25th 2016.
He Will Be Missed By The Many He Touched

Rayna Lumbar's Remembrance of Tom's 21 years with The Awareness Network (June 30, 2016)

Our dear friend Tom Dragosavac is remembered, honored, and celebrated today by his TAN community and many friends. God Bless his soul. I am so fortunate to have worked with Tom to bring healing, love, light and transformation to our beloved Awareness Network Community. "Tom, you are always with us in spirit, having taught us profound wisdom and healing. Thank you for sharing your many other talents that served our TAN community and humanity. For this we are GRATEFUL BEYOND MEASURE. Much love as you move on to your next amazing journey!"

I met Tom at the Healing Connection around 1985, both of us promoting our healing practices. Both of us on a mission to serve. When Lynne Rhodes and Joan Green were ready to pass the baton, Tom and I stepped up to take the lead in 1994. From then on we tirelessly worked together to usher in the New Age with integrity and high consciousness that attracted many spiritual seekers, speakers, and healers. We also invited holistic practitioners and personal growth experts to help grow our beloved Awareness Network community. Tom took charge with enthusiasm, making sure we always had a great place to

meet, greet, and eat, first at Fresh Choice, then the Adobe Café, and finally Divine Science Community Center in 1999. Charles "Crowman" Hawkins soon joined us and co-hosted with me for the first ten years. When we moved to Divine Science, Tom stepped up to organize our breakfasts, our greeters, the money and facility every week. It was a joy to watch his confidence grow over time. He took an even more active part in running the meetings as our opening circle facilitator, host, and timekeeper, always responsible for leaving our space clean and making sure our church, Rev. Christine and Sheree were totally supported by us. Until 2008 Tom also organized our newsletter mailing parties, and post office drop offs, mailing close to 500 newsletters every quarter. He was the glue uplifting TAN's success. Many of you know that Tom loved to give, give, give of his time offering energy healings, massage, hugs, & nutritional support whenever, wherever and to whomever needed it. You could find him working on people's sore bodies and stuck energy during and after the meetings every week. His gifts of love, healing and health flowed joyously and endlessly from working at Whole Foods, the Massage Zone and other venues.

Tom also had a good sense of humor. I heard a story recently from fellow massage therapist Pat Kong. Tom joined a massage paging company and made a service call to a male attorney. It turned out the client thought he was getting a female therapist.

As usual, Tom had the answer to this awkward situation. He promptly put on a wig, coconut bra, and grass skirt and returned to work on the client. They both had a good laugh, and it worked out well!

I was amazed at how Tom was able to take care of his aging parents in New York and be there for us! He learned the art of delegating and taking charge of organizing the massage staff. He also offered a special kind of love and healing as a furniture mover. He moved my mother four times with care and expertise, keeping prices low and integrity high. In 2006 I encouraged him to give his first and only "formal" presentation at TAN. Even though he reluctantly accepted, his presentation "Spiritual Massage" was wonderful!

Tom LOVED THE AWARENESS NETWORK WITH ALL HIS HEART AND SOUL. "Tom, I'm so glad we honored you with a big TAN 21st birthday celebration last October!" TO SUM UP, TOM'S VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT SAYS IT ALL:

The Awareness Network is a community of individuals dedicated to uplifting consciousness and spirit in ourselves and one another. We serve the planet and our community through mutual respect, spreading joy, love, and learning. We take responsibility for what we manifest and enact a shared vision for our growing community and the world here and now with a little help from our friends.

"TOM, YOU ARE ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS, YOU LOVELY MAN. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOU BEING IN OUR LIVES!! WE ARE ALL TOUCHED BY YOUR EXAMPLE. MAY YOU REST IN PEACE. NAMASTE." 🙏❤️



Tom's Celebration of Life

The Awareness Network June 30th 2016

Tom Dragosavac was the co-founder and the rock of The Awareness Network, devoting 21 years to its organization, development, and success. So when he passed on June 25, 2016, there was an almost immediate outcry of sadness and love from the TAN community. There was also a desire to honor him in some special way at our June 30 Thursday meeting which we decided to devote entirely to a celebration of his life.

Sixty people came to share with us their love for Tom. They included members of the Serendipity Choir, massage therapists and other workmates of Tom, friends, and former TAN members. Kelly, his life partner, was also there.



On June 30 our regular members came early for the service to set up for a big turnout. Sheree Garrett created the healthy and delicious breakfast menu. One of Tom's favorite ways he showed his love was to be TAN's kitchen magician, making sure we were well fed every week. This morning was special since it had been some time since Tom was able to serve us in this way. The breakfast included hot oatmeal, fruits, pastries, breads and other tasty food. People brought food to share, flowers, their open hearts, and other remembrances as they arrived for the service. The colorful spread filled every inch of the table! What a delight!

The service was created and facilitated by Patty Moore with the help of Diane Melone. It opened with Rayna Lumbar leading us in a healing circle outside in the beautiful sunshine to open us up as we began remembering, honoring, and celebrating Tom's life. Once inside Ed Simon soulfully began playing the crystal bowls. A chair that Tom normally sat at was decorated with fabric and flowers and his picture adorned the top of it. Dr. Brad West, who attended Tom in his last hours, related to us his last hours at El Camino Hospital in Mountain View. Each of us was then invited to remember Tom via a single word, a memory of him, or a blessing for him or Kelly through a piece of paper we drew from a hat. Kelly also spoke to us of her love for Tom and the 28 years they shared together.

After we met in the Fireside Room, our ceremony moved outside to the labyrinth where we enclosed Kelly in a loving circle. Reverend Christine offered a prayer, followed by Patty guiding us in a candle ceremony to release Tom to his heavenly home. The Serendipity Choir's Charlotte Wilson sang "Fly like an Eagle," which reminded her of Tom. Rayna sang "Blessing," a favorite song of Tom's, as we joined in singing and saying goodbye to Tom there. Several group photos were taken with the last one definitely lightening up the mood. Many of us sensed Tom's presence loving during the service. He'll always be remembered as a guiding light in whatever he did.

The arrangement of flowers from Diana Bluer and a vase of sunflowers from Coni Berliner, along with cards signed by everyone, were given to Kelly, along with donations to help her in the coming weeks. Many of us were moved to assist Kelly in other ways during this difficult transition time.

Our spiritual family again gathered in Tom's honor at our next regular meeting on July 7. We each wrote something special to Tom or about him, then tied it to our TAN talking stick.

Thank you Tom from the bottom of our hearts! You will always be remembered as a wise healer with a heart of gold.

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