



F.X. Tobin

October 16, 1942 - June 6, 2014

F.X. Tobin, 71, passed away on June 6, 2014 in Mesa, Arizona. The artist-at-large was surrounded by his family, friends and music.

He was born in Pittsfield on October 16, 1942, the oldest of seven children to the late Frank and Mary Tobin.

F.X. studied painting and drawing at the Boy's Club in his home town and was a graduate of St. Josephs High School. He studied portraiture with William Schultz who led F.X. to the Vesper- George School of Art, Boston, MA where he was trained in the basic tools of the artist craft. A graduate of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA, he obtained his Masters of Fine Arts Degree in Painting and Drawing, at Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

A talented fine and commercial artist, F.X. resided in Tempe, Arizona until his passing. He painted commercially in Los Angeles and Arizona for over 30 years. His abilities ranged from classical, surrealist, to large murals and sculpture design. He most recently worked as an art history professor at Collins College in Tempe, Arizona.

A loving husband of 32 years, an amazing father and a fantastic brother and uncle, F.X will be greatly missed by his family and countless friends he met along the way. His creativity will live on in all of us - his humor, his laugh and his enthusiasm were infectious.

He is survived by his wife Lisa Tobin of Tempe, Arizona and his two daughters, Jesse Tobin of Pittsfield and Margo Tobin of Tempe, Arizona. His sister Mary Downing and husband Jack Downing; His sister Bernadette Clay

and husband Mike Clay; His brother Bill Tobin and wife Eileen Tobin; His brother Jay Tobin and wife Lois Tobin; His brother Ben Tobin and wife Beth Tobin; his brother Chris Tobin and wife Nancy Carson and his wonderful nieces and nephews.

Art was a passion for F.X. Tobin and working on art was his life-long labor. F.X.'s body of work will be celebrated with a month long showing in July at the Lichtenstein Center for Arts at 28 Renne Ave in Pittsfield. There will be a public opening reception with the artists' family on Thurs. July 3, 2014 from 5 to 8 p.m.

FUNERAL NOTICE:

A Memorial Service for Mr. F.X. Tobin will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at 10 a.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Mausoleum in St. Joseph Cemetery. There are no calling hours. A reception will immediately follow at Bill Tobin's, 261 Gale Ave in Pittsfield.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Cemetery
222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall

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“ I met F.X. as I was knocking on doors in a Tempe neighborhood looking for work. I was a handyman/tree trimmer/landscaper/whatever I could find to earn a buck, out of work and I refused to settle for a 9to5.

F.X. answered the door in the Spring of 2013 with a smirk on his face " What`s up", he said. I asked if he needed any yard work done, blah, blah, blah, and he said " come on in, let me show you something".

I was amazed. He showed me his artwork that he had painted on his walls, floors, and ceiling in his home. I had no idea who he was. He gave me a flyer to " Monsters and Beauties" at 1205 space on Pierce Street in Phoenix, AZ.

He said to stop by the show and ask for him, "by the way I'll call ya if I need any work done". He was genuine, respectful, and dignified. I will never forget F.X. and still have his flyer.

Thank you F.X.

Joe Diaz

Joe Diaz - October 29, 2015 at 03:21 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of F.X. Tobin.



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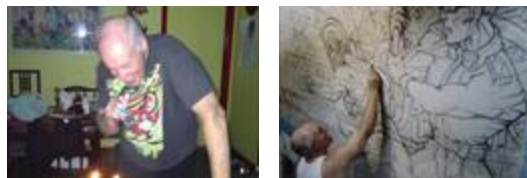
“ *The Tobin Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May
F.X. 's Spirit live on in all of you and in your art.*

*Matthew Pictrowski & Dawn Pierson
Pompano Beach, FL*

Matt Pictrowski - June 25, 2014 at 06:19 AM

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