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Boneyards

Director Bobby Hollander Dies

LOS ANGELES - Director Bobby Hollander, whose large body of work spanned the Golden Age of adult to the late 1990s, passed away at the Veterans Affairs hospital from a brain malignancy on March 7.

Among his numerous titles, Hollander directed *Seka's Fantasies* for Caballero and series such as LBO's *Bubble Butts* and *Breast Worx*, and Silver Foxx's *Girls From Hootersville*, *Maneaters* and *Rookie Nookie*.

Hollander also performed in a handful of titles, including *All About Gloria Leonard* and *Shauna Grant: The Early Years*.

Henri Pachard, a friend of Hollander's, said he will always remember Hollander's sense of humor. "This guy was a funny guy," he Pachard said. "No matter what the adversity was, he could find a way to make you laugh; that's what I'll miss about him."

Prior to his death, Adult Industry Medical Healthcare founder Sharon Mitchell said, "He's the all-inclusive pornographer-uncle-niceguy. That's a special quality."

Mitchell added she had known Hollander since she was 17, and had worked with him in such features as *Personal Touch* and *Centerfold Celebrities*. One of her fondest memories of Hollander, she said, was a cable show she *The Stroke of Midnight*, in 1975.

"I think it was the second thing I did in the industry," she remembered. "It was a talk show I barely knew how to talk, let alone talk about anything. It was quite an uncomfortable moment. Bobby and I had a great show."

Industry historian William Margold said Hollander was "a dashing and dapper" character with a lot of flash... There was something about Bobby [and he had a] unique charm. He looked whatever he was supposed to be."

Gloria Leonard, Hollander's ex-wife, wrote in an e-mail to AVN, "Although I watched him down each day, Bobby still managed a sense of humor occasionally, particularly when he was with a company... or an audience. I became his missing senses and sensibilities."

"The nurses and his roommate told me that I was all he talked about and that 'he couldn't live without me,'" she wrote. "Less than 48 hours after I left, he was gone. His heart gave out."

Members of the adult industry saw Hollander off at an impromptu roast/tribute, hosted a few weeks earlier on Feb. 19, in which colleagues and friends shared memories of Hollander. Amber Lynn, Fred Lincoln, Sharon Mitchell, Candida Royalle and Bill Margold were among those who accepted the invitation, with the microphone often being passed to Hollander for his comments and occasional rebuttals.

Hollander sat at a front-row table. He was casually dressed and looked fatigued but in good spirits. After the speeches ended, he spoke with attendees who came up to his table to visit, pose for pictures, and enjoying their company.

"What we did for him was timely, if nothing else," Margold said later. "I don't want to think of any of those, but of all the people it's fitting that we gave him a living wake. I don't think



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