



## Eric Remy Pelve

November 30, 1964 - January 11, 2022

Eric Remy Pelve, 57, of Frisco, TX, passed away on January 11, 2021, surrounded by his loving family. Eric was born in 1964 in Troyes, France, the loving son of Remy Louis Gerard Pelve and Marcelle Sylvie Lissare.

Eric earned an engineering degree in Physics from Ecole Supérieure de Marseille. He later enhanced his education with an Executive MBA at Goizueta Business School, Emory University.

Eric is survived by his dearly loving mother, Marcelle Sylvie Lissare Pelve, his ex-spouse, Isabelle Viellard, his two beautiful children Audrey (Pelve) Gerringer and Marc Pelve, and his partner, Jodi L. Shannon, whom he met in The Colony, TX, and over the past few years, they shared time seeing the national parks and enjoying a quiet life together.

Eric worked as Global Category Director at Koki Holdings America Ltd and previously as Marketing Strategy Director at Hilti. Both teams valued Eric as a reliable colleague and a true friend.

During his tenures, Eric lived in Ukraine, Czech Republic, and Canada, where he made long lasting friendships.

Eric especially loved photography. From photographic equipment technology to photography techniques, he learned and mastered the art. His photos can be seen on Flickr under Episa (<https://www.flickr.com/photos/episa>). Some of them were published by Audubon and by Glacier National Park.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 10:00 AM CT at Slay Memorial Funeral Center, 400 South Highway 377, Aubrey, TX 76227, with Minister David Ake officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Eric's memory may be directed to:

The National Park Foundation

([https://give.nationalparks.org/site/Donation2?df\\_id=3144&mfc\\_pref=T&3144.donation=for  
m1](https://give.nationalparks.org/site/Donation2?df_id=3144&mfc_pref=T&3144.donation=for%20m1)).

Online condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.



# Comments

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“ I first met Eric in January 1997 when I was appointed President of Ascom America Corporation in Atlanta, Georgia, where Eric was heading up the Toll System division. I recall his warm welcome on the day of my arrival from the UK and his enthusiastic introduction to his business responsibility.

Eric was the consummate professional and a very hardworking team player. He successfully led his team to build up the Toll System activity from start-up to one with an impressive customer base. This was supported by his colleagues at our Paris-based associate company, Elsydel, from where much of the technology originated. A significant key to Eric's success was his establishment of a manufacturing base in Georgia to meet the "Buy America" requirements and US specifications for Automatic Toll Machines.

Eric earned the respect of both colleagues and clients alike. His excellent reputation in the US Toll Road industry was evident at the annual IBTTA industry congress, where he seemed to be known by everyone who was anyone, including industry consultants as well as highway and bridge toll operators. Eric was able to exploit this great interpersonal skill to install confidence in a would-be customer of his ability to deliver a product according to specification.

I was pleased to support Eric for his Executive MBA course at Emory University. This was a gruelling 13-month course which he managed without affecting his busy work schedule. He achieved a top MBA.

Away from work, Eric was an excellent amateur photographer. His impressive portfolio had mainly included landscapes but Eric wanted to experiment in portraits, so I was happy to offer up my then young family for photoshoots. The results were amazing and my family and I still treasure these portraits as our lasting fond memory of Eric.

Eric was a good tennis player. I enjoyed challenging him in the game on a number of occasions.

Unfortunately, I lost contact with Eric after we went our separate ways in the early 2000's. It was no surprise to hear that his career progressed impressively in the corporate world.

I am deeply saddened and shocked to learn of Eric's untimely passing. I offer my heartfelt condolences to his family at this sad time.

Peter Sands - February 28, 2022

**Peter Sands** - March 08 at 02:17 PM

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“ It was I who, a young engineer at Elsydel in Paris, hired Eric in 1991, 31 years ago. Together, we discovered the tolls and set out to conquer America, me remote from Paris and him in the field, fulfilling his dream of living there and then becoming a US citizen. In 1997, I had to leave this company. My professional path separated from that of Eric but we remained friends, even if the distance prevented us from seeing each other. I always took advantage of my business trips to go see him where he lived and share good times with him, I remember Atlanta, Tulsa, Prague, and also a meeting in Chicago where we were on vacation at the same time. I even discussed with him in Paris fifteen years ago if he could not join my group which was going to create a subsidiary in the USA, we would then have relived this teamwork on both sides of the Atlantic. I dreamed that he could work with me again because I was very impressed, he was the greatest and hardest worker I knew, not letting any challenge stop him. The distance and the professional life separating us, it is by very long and regular telephone conversations that we maintain our friendship. On the menu of our exchanges, the comparison of our professional activities and hobbies (photo, video, computers) to enrich ourselves with our experiences and the march of the world, economic and geopolitical. My last contact with him dated from the beginning of December, I had called him to wish him a few days late his birthday, he seemed in great shape and our usual conversation covering the news inevitably lingered on the events caused by the disease in the USA, France and around the world. What a shock for me this phone call in mid-January to tell me the terrible news, thanks to Isabelle for letting me know, all my thoughts and my support to Audrey and Marc who lost their father, and to her who lost the father of her children. I also think of his partner whom I did not know and whom he had spoken to me about, and of his mother who lost her husband a year ago. How sad. In principle, when an important event happened, we phoned each other to talk about it and comment on it. Not this time, and never again. While we would have had so much to tell each other, the reality thwarting his view may be too optimistic.

renaud presberg - February 02 at 04:44 PM

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“ C'est moi qui, jeune ingénieur à Elsydel à Paris, embaucha Eric en 1991, il y a 31 ans. Ensemble, nous avons découvert les péages et sommes partis à la conquête de l'Amérique, moi en remote depuis Paris et lui sur le terrain, accomplissant son rêve d'y habiter puis de devenir citoyen US. En 1997, j'ai dû quitter cette société. Mon chemin professionnel s'est séparé de celui d'Eric mais nous sommes restés amis, même si l'éloignement nous empêchait de nous voir. J'ai toujours profité de mes déplacements professionnels pour aller le voir où il vivait et partager de bons moments avec lui, je me rappelle de Atlanta, Tulsa, Prague, et aussi d'une rencontre à Chicago où nous étions en vacances en même temps. J'avais même examiné avec lui à Paris il y a une quinzaine d'années s'il ne pouvait pas rejoindre mon groupe qui allait créer une filiale aux USA, nous aurions alors revécu ce travail d'équipe des 2 côtés de l'Atlantique. Je rêvais qu'il puisse travailler à nouveau avec moi car j'étais très impressionné, c'était le plus grand travailleur que je connaissais, ne se laissant arrêter par aucun défi. La distance et la vie professionnelle nous séparant, c'est par de très longues et régulières conversations téléphoniques que nous entretenions notre amitié. Au menu de nos échanges, la comparaison de nos activités professionnelles et hobbies (photo, video, computers) pour nous enrichir de nos expériences et la marche du monde, économique et géopolitique. Mon dernier contact avec lui datait de début décembre, je l'avais appelé pour lui souhaiter avec quelques jours de retard son anniversaire, il avait l'air en pleine forme et notre conversation habituelle couvrant l'actualité s'est forcément attardé sur les événements causés par la maladie aux USA, en France et dans le Monde. Quel choc pour moi cet appel téléphonique mi janvier pour m'annoncer la terrible nouvelle, merci à Isabelle de m'avoir prévenu, toutes mes pensées et mon soutien à Audrey et Marc qui ont perdu leur père, et à elle qui a perdu le père de ses enfants. Je pense aussi à sa compagne que je ne connaissais pas et dont il m'avait parlé, et à sa mère qui a perdu son mari il y a un an. Quelle tristesse. En principe, quand arrivait un événement important, on se téléphonait pour en parler et commenter. Pas cette fois, et plus jamais. Alors que nous aurions eu tant de choses à nous dire, la réalité contrariant sa vision peut être trop optimiste.

<https://storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/1.png>

Renaud Presberg



renaud presberg - February 02 at 04:40 PM

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“ So incredibly sad. I met Eric in the early 90's, we were both working for a small French company with an office in Norcross, GA. He was incredibly smart, dedicated, hard worker. I remember his passion for photography. I am in shock. My deepest condolences to his family.  
Philippe.



Philippe - February 02 at 10:54 AM

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“ Eric was one of the kindest co-workers I had the privilege to work with. He was intelligent, ambitious and knew when to throw in a joke or smile to lighten the mood. I only had the chance to know and work with Eric for nearly two years but he left his mark on me with a lot of great life and career advice. I will always remember his willingness to help others and his kind demeanor and calming nature. Rest in Peace  
Eric

Eric Mozley - January 28 at 09:58 AM

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“ Isabelle Viellard Pelve lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Isabelle Viellard Pelve - January 23 at 02:59 PM

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“ On behalf of Eric's family, Eric's partner Jodi, and myself, I thank you very much for your kind messages and for sharing some of your memories.  
Eric lives now through us.  
Divorced but not apart, we were helping each other in guiding our children through the beginning of their adult lives. I will miss his serene strength.



Isabelle Viellard Pelve - January 23 at 02:43 PM

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“ j offre toutes mes sincères condoléances à la famille d'Éric. il fut un collègue de grande classe qui nous emmenait à de grandes réflexions. j ai une belle photo encadré qu'il ma remis à la retraite que je garde précieusement.

RIP Eric

jean st amour - January 21 at 03:15 PM

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“ Jan Cidlinsky lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Jan Cidlinsky - January 21 at 06:09 AM

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“ Eric was one of my best manager and colleagues I had privilege to work with. Impressive personality, hard worker, leader, professional. My memories are full of learnings, positive atmosphere and passion he was able to create despite all tough situations we faced with. I liked very much his style of humor and positive attitude. I am personally affected very much by this shocking news. Let me express my deepest condolences to the whole family for this terrible loss. I will miss you Eric, my friend

R.I.P.

Jan Cidlinsky - January 21 at 06:08 AM

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“ Jan Matějovský lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Jan Matějovský - January 21 at 03:03 AM

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“ I have been Eric's manager at Trindel in Atlanta in our early years. Eric was an impressive hard worker with an unequaled persistence. I have then chosen to go back in France while Eric stayed in the country he loved as his wonderful photographs show. I am deeply saddened by his too early departure.

Jean-Marc Couanau - January 20 at 05:39 AM

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“ Nous envoyons toutes nos pensées de France à la famille et aux proches d'Eric. Il avait gentiment accepté de réaliser notre magnifique album de mariage et nous avons profité par la suite de ses superbes et impressionnantes prises de vue de tous ces pays visités .  
Eric restera dans notre mémoire comme quelqu'un de passionné, perfectioniste et travailleur, et son sens de l'humour bien à lui.  
Nous vous embrassons bien fort.  
Hélène, Jean-Marc et Tom.

Hélène , Jean-Marc et Tom IMBERT - January 20 at 02:16 AM



“ Hélène ,jean-Marc Et Tom IMBERT lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



**Hélène ,jean-Marc et Tom IMBERT** - January 20 at 01:54 AM

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“ Toutes nos condoléances aux proches d'Eric. Notre tonton Eric était un homme plus que gentil, doux et intelligent. Eric, ses magnifiques photos et son sens de l'humour resteront toujours dans ma mémoire. Nous donnons tout notre soutien à ses proches, et à Marc et Audrey. On pense bien à vous. Toute votre famille de France vous aime et pense bien à vous. A lot of love from France for you !  
Caroline et Ludovic

**Caroline et Ludovic** - January 19 at 12:03 PM

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“ Caroline Et Ludovic lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



**Caroline et Ludovic** - January 19 at 11:19 AM

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“ I met Eric nearly 2 years ago in Tokyo, it was our first day and a top level strategy session with the leadership team.

It was clear from the start and our first interactions that Eric was a capable and strategic thinker. He could see the pieces of a complex problem, but liked to be practical and focus on the working elements he could improve. I feel very fortunate to have spent time collaborating with Eric and also learning from him weekly. I will remember his infectious smile, his photos and you will probably here me saying “thinking out loud”, a saying from Eric.

Eric, your passion and impact on the world lives on in our shared memories.

Eric, friend, you will be missed and thought of often.

My heartfelt wishes to your family.

**Jon Murray** - January 19 at 10:57 AM

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“ Our family is deeply saddened by the passing of our dear friend Eric. Eric changed the course of my life in 1995 when he hired a young project manager to help launch Trindel/Atoll tolling machines in the US. 27 years later, I am still happily in the tolling industry thanks to him. Yes, I learned about tolling from Eric, but more importantly what French people are really like. I held his babies and drank champagne at company parties, had innumerable meals with him, attended my wedding, traveled the US and France with him, stayed with his sister-in-law’s family in Champagne, reunited with him and family in Prague on a business trip and so many more happy memories that I will always treasure.

He was a kind and generous man, a wonderful boss and an even better friend. Our thoughts, love and prayers are with Eric’s friends and family. Eric will be truly missed and never forgotten.

Wes, Laurie, Wesley and David Blackwell

**Wes Blackwell** - January 19 at 10:42 AM

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“ Rie Aoyama lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Rie Aoyama - January 19 at 08:28 AM

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“ For the past two years I have been fortunate to be Eric's manager at Koki Holdings Japan, but our journey working together started a long time ago. I first met Eric 15 years ago when we worked together at Hilti. Eric's passion and enthusiasm for his work has always been inspiring.

When Eric wanted to join our team at Koki, I knew he would bring dedication, enthusiasm, and a deep understanding of the industry. In Eric's very first meeting he proved to every executive in our company that he had the industry knowledge, experience, and drive to take our company to the next level.

Over the next two years Eric worked selflessly to help us transform our company, often attending meetings in the wee hours of the morning or the middle of the night to be there for his team on the other side of the world. He never complained about this and always said that since he would have been willing to fly to Japan or Germany to take part in our meetings, he was more than happy to avoid the jet lag and just tune in from his own time zone. Everyone here deeply appreciated his insights, passion for his work, but most importantly, his wonderful sense of humor and love for our users.

Eric is already greatly missed and I cannot imagine a day when we will not think of him and everything he has done for us. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and all of his loved ones.

Noah Garber - January 18 at 07:54 PM

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“ Gérard Et Catherine lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Gérard et Catherine - January 18 at 12:29 PM

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“ Erik introduced me to photography while being colleagues at Hilti. I could stay for hours listening to him describing his last photo shooting. He was truly exceptional, and a great friend and colleague.  
RIP dear Erik, I'll now take the camera you suggested me to buy and take a picture with the lens you recommended, and think about you.  
Pietro B.

pietro - January 18 at 12:15 PM

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“ I met Eric nearly two years ago in Tokyo, when he started to work for Koki Holdings. Since then, I had many online meetings with him. He was a brilliant thinker and showed full dedication for his jobs. But more important, he was always up for some friendly words and a joke, so it was a pleasure to work with him. Eric, you will be heavily missed, and we will always keep you in our memories. Your colleague and friend Daniel from HIKOKI Europe

Daniel Grün - January 18 at 09:43 AM

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“ Viellard Jocelyne lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



Viellard Jocelyne - January 18 at 07:40 AM

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“ I worked for Eric during much of his time in Canada, and enjoyed my time under his leadership. He was a very kind, energetic leader and someone who often showed his kindness in his approach.

His photography was inspiring - and I remember Eric telling me stories of how he would plan the perfect shot - which would often have him waiting in weird places, at weird times...just for the sunrise/sunset. I'm very sorry for your loss, my thoughts & condolences are with you.

- Phil Meloche

**Philip Meloche** - January 18 at 07:29 AM

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“ The message that Eric is in the hospital because of covid was a first shock. The message some days later about his death, indescribably. I am happy that I met Eric and could work together with him. He was a very friendly and at the same time very professional colleague. Unfortunately, due to covid, we could meet us personally only twice.

We will miss him.

Hope all the best for the family. Rest in peace, Eric.

Andreas

**andreas siemer** - January 18 at 07:21 AM

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“ I am deeply saddened to lose such a good colleague and person like you. You will be missed.

May God give your family the strength to cope with this saddened time. Please rest in peace, Eric.



**Sharon Huang** - January 18 at 06:09 AM

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“ It was an honor to have known such a great person. Intelligent, kind and good sense of humor. I will truely miss you Eric. Please rest in peace.



**Junya IMAMURA** - January 18 at 05:03 AM

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“ Noriko Kato lit a candle in memory of Eric Remy Pelve



**Noriko Kato** - January 18 at 04:49 AM

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“ I am very sad that Eric is no more with us. I had the pleasure of working with him for a couple of years in the Czech Republic. He was always a very kind, approachable, nice, caring, friendly colleague. We will always remember him as a friend we always enjoyed being with.

**Jan Radil** - January 18 at 04:47 AM

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“ It was such a shock to lose Eric in our company. I respected his thoughtful and pleasant attitude and a lot of members all over the world appreciated his contribution. Rest in peace, Eric.

Shinji Ioka, Koki Holdings

**Shinji Ioka** - January 18 at 04:40 AM

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“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



**Viellard** - January 18 at 02:10 AM

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“ Notre soutien affectueux à la famille d'Eric, ses enfants, sa maman, sa compagne et à tous ses amis qui l'aimaient. On vous embrasse bien fort, Alain et Jocelyne.

**Viellard Jocelyne** - January 18 at 01:31 AM