Jon Tranell Lindstrom, Associate Professor, Department of Horticulture, University of Arkansas, died recently. He was born 31 Mar. 1959 in Bellefonte and grew up in State College, PA. He was a 1981 graduate of Cornell University where he was a member of the crew team and of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He received a Master of Science degree in Horticulture in 1987 from the University of Maryland, and a PhD in Agronomy from the University of Illinois–Urbana in 1991.

At the University of Arkansas, Jon was a dedicated teacher and advocate for his students. He taught classes about woody landscape plants, and researched ornamental plant breeding and evaluation. He could identify and grow any plant and had a lifetime passion for orchids, hybridizing and naming a new orchid after his mother. He was a frequent contributing author to Arkansas Gardener magazine.

Jon is survived by his father, Eugene, of State College; a sister, Karen Kimball, of Espoo, Finland; a brother, Mark, of Memphis, TN; and a brother, Scott (Martha), of Madison, WI; as well as three nephews, Stefan (Margot) Kimball, Sean Kimball, and Andrew Lindstrom; a niece, Sarah Lindstrom; a great-niece, Annika Kimball; two aunts; and five cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother, Eleanor, and his brother-in-law David. Services will be at the convenience of the family. His ashes will be scattered by family near Ithaca, NY and off the coast of Nags Head, NC.

Memorial contributions may be made to “The Jon Lindstrom Scholarship” in care of the Department of Horticulture, Plant Sciences 316, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701. He will be greatly missed by the students and faculty.

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