



REMEMBERING John Steve Siray

October 17, 1939 - January 6, 2014



Tribute from Mark Memorial Funeral Services Staff

Mark Memorial Funeral Services Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from Pauline Bennison

Relation: College co-worker

Betty, I am sorry for your loss. I hope John didn't suffer too much during his last days on this earth.

I will always remember John as someone who supported me and my students at the College of the Rockies.

Although we haven't worked together in a long time, he did have a powerful effect on me and my students.

God Bless him.

Pauline

Tribute from Donna Grainger - East Kootenay Foundation for Health

Relation: Friend of the Foundation

John was always so generous to our foundation and truly made a difference in lives of others. I wish the family wonderful memories of a wonderful man.

Tribute from Nick Rubidge

Relation: Friend

Betty, I was deeply saddened to hear the news of John. If I remember correctly he was the first full time trades instructors to join us at East Kootenay Community College. I remember him as being full of vim and vigour, pushing hard for his programs, and for the college, and of course for his students. He helped many generations of students. I was privileged to have him as a friend.

Tribute from Rose Stevens

Relation: my picture framer

Dear Betty

So sorry to hear of John's death. He was so fair and knowledgeable about this craft. Thinking this week that I must get back to him re a project I started prior to Christmas. Life is so tender, so fragile

and so very precious, may he rest in peace. Blessings, Rose - a customer

Tribute from Bud & Rhonda Beeman

Relation: Friend

Betty, we are so sorry to hear of John's passing. When I joined the college in 1978 he made me feel welcome and I felt supported. He was my mentor and confidant throughout the years we both spent at the College. I enjoyed working with him and I especially liked the feeling of camaraderie in the Trades events. We will miss his huge hugs and big smile whenever Rhonda and I would see him downtown.

Tribute from Rosemary Sherret

Relation: family friend

Dear Betty and family

I was shocked to read about your loss. I have many memories of his teasing, love of dogs, and his family. I know you will cherish all his memories.

Tribute from Pete and Marie Slemko

Relation: friend

Sorry to hear of your loss. Thinking of all of you. at this time.

Tribute from Larry Szalanski

Relation: Co-worker at the College

Betty, we are sorry to hear of John's passing. I enjoyed working with John for many years at the College. He was always cheerful and helpful. As I am writing this, what comes to mind are the wonderful fishing trips my son and I had with John and John Jr. to the St. Mary's River area. Larry and Barbara

Tribute from Shirley Organ

Relation: Friend of Sue

Sue - so sorry to hear about your Dad. Had lots of fun with him the frame shop going over a lot of your early day escapades!
Hope you and the kids are well, we are thinking of you

Tribute from Sharon & Joseph Cross

Relation: work

Betty, and family, we are sorry for your loss. John loved children and found many ways to support them and others in our community. He will be very much missed.

Tribute from Bertha Andrews

Relation: A wonderful friend through framing

Dear Betty & Family...

I was so saddened when I read in the paper that John had passed away and I send you a great big

hug. I enjoyed meeting him through your appropriately named business "Family" Framing. He was such a great family man and in our conversations, I know that family was the most important thing in his life, especially you and his children and grandchildren. I will miss his teasing and his reminiscing on his experiences in life.

Tribute from Luella (Lally) Siray

Relation: Sister-in-law

So hard to believe - all three of the brothers gone -Louis,Leslie and now John. What a threesome they were. Either joking around or at war with each other. John you were just the best brother-in-law one could have. You were the keeper of family treasures. You preserved our past with your beautiful framed works. Thanks for being a part of our lives. All the best to you Betty. We wish you well. You have a wonderful family to support you. David and Lally

Tribute from George and Penny Der

Relation: Dear friends

Words cannot express our deep sadness when you told us about John. Special thoughts and heartfelt prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow. We are left with very fond memories of John and the love he showed to us. Nothing can ever take away the love a heart holds, dear fond memories linger every day, remembrance keep them near. Love always.

Tribute from Ellen Perrich

Relation: Neighbour for 19 years

I am so saddened by John's passing. He has been such a wonderful neighbour, confidant, cheerleader for my kids and I over the years. He was always ready to help out if needed. I will miss the harvest from his garden, his humour and the many conversations shouted over the fence. RIP John and Ben.

Tribute from Sherry Halliwell

Relation: Friend

Betty i'm so sorry. If there is anything I can do please call 250-489-1770.

Tribute from Denise Russell

Relation: Neice

John always had insightful things to say to me about my immediate family issues, he would not sugar coat it, and for that I was grateful. We didn't visit often and we were not as close as I would have liked to have been after my father died but I have thought about the family very often over the years. My heart goes out to my Aunt Betty, Cousins; Debbie, Susan and Johnny.

Tribute from Patricia and David Stock

Relation: Parkland School Band and through Ernie Ireland

Betty and family, David and I are sorry for your loss. David always appreciated John's framing of his art work and the conversations they would have. We both appreciate the friendship he shared with Ernie Ireland. For me, I remember his assistance as Pres. of the Band Association, what a tremendous father he was in encouraging John, Jr. to work hard on learning Trumpet. I was inspired

by his dedication as a father. David and I wish you wellness.

