

## REMEMBERING Luke Edward Kenward

April 6, 1977 - July 12, 2015

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Just after midnight on Sunday, July 12, 2015, Luke Edward Kenward passed away suddenly in Cranbrook, BC at the age of 38 years. Luke was born on April 6, 1977 in St. Catherine's, Ontario. Luke came west to BC at the age of 18 and this became his home.

Affectionately known as Lukas by his soulmate, "the old lady', Lukas' life was cut very short. He was an old soul who lived more in his 38 years than most people do in 100. Luke worked hard, lived hard, played hard and loved deeply. Family was so important to him. Although he got home but once to see his family, he cherished and valued them deeply. His love for his sister Crystal was deep and fierce and he tried many times to talk her into moving to BC. Luke had a reputation for being an extremely hard worker, no matter what the occupation. His main love, however, was the feel of a chainsaw in his hand, strapped to the top of a tree. This was pure freedom and peace. Lukas was an old soul, a man's man, fiercely proud, speaking his truth in confidence and stood his ground without regret. He was always first to lend a hand whether friend, foe or stranger. He was equally loyal and loved deeply those he cherished in his heart. Family meant the world to him and his spread the span from one side of the country to the other. His high energy, infectious laugh and michievious dancing eyes are imprinted on the hearts of those who loved him. Luke always had your back and was never one to hold a grudge. He lived, loved, worked and played hard and fast with total passion and he left us in the same way. He would have wanted it no less.

Luke loved the outdoors and spending time in the bush. He and Laura recently spent some quality time together in many of the surrounding areas including Mineral Lake, St. Mary's and Camp Heart Rock. Luke was always trying to save or rescue animals and bring them home with us. He was an animal whisperer. Equally loved was his eclectic taste in music . . . everything from metal to country.

Luke had worked hard to obtain tickets in several different areas and recently completed S100, S185, ICS100 and his First Aid with Strategic Fire Control. Luke had just gained employment with the Lumberton Mill with his good friend Greg and

was looking forward to begin his new adventure at the Mill.

Luke will be deeply missed by his beloved soulmate, Laura and his boys, Dustyn and Dean, whom he loved as his own. Also left behind are his loving mother, Carol, his father Don, his adored sister Crystal as well as Lisa, Tiffany and many aunts and uncles. Extended family who will miss Luke dearly are Jim Hazell, Ricky, Conal and Cam and especially Tiernan and Ava. Luke had many cherished friends who he considered family and whos hall miss him deeply, Dave Berini - his bowling partner - Wade, Chuck and Danila, Darcy, Polly, "Mother' Mary, Greg and April, Warren and Darlene, Greg and Katy, Chad and Angie, Bruce, Orlando, Chris and Steve, Zak, Justin, Gracie and many other extended family of the Cranbrook Hotel and King Eddy.

Lucas was predeceased by his younger brother, Christopher; his grandparents Phyllis and Olen, Bert and Ethel as well as Paro, Smoky and Zeuss.

A Celebration of Life to celebrate Luke's life was hosted by Greg and April Dettling held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at the Cranbrook Hotel. "Mother' Mary and alll her ladies put on an amazing feast. A special thank you to April for the beautiful poem for Luke and to Mike with his groovy grub truck. Much love and thanks to all of you for your loving help at this difficult time. Donations were received in Luke's memory for Tudor House Gordon's electric "Harley' wheelchair. We are proude to say that all costs for this have been covered. Thank you to all of you from the bottom of my heart.

