

Keith Anderson

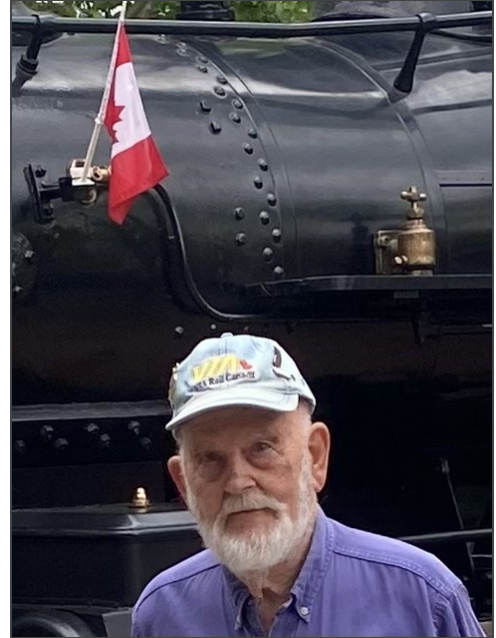
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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Keith Eric Anderson. He passed April 1st surrounded by the love of family and friends.

Keith was a great husband, Dad and Granddad. He leaves behind his wife Vera of 57 years, his three sons Eric, Karl, and Michael - daughter-in-law Rhonda and grandchildren Rachel and Brayden.

Keith worked in the Financial Planning Industry for 35 years. He also was an avid train enthusiast, being a founding member of the West Coast Railway Assn... with the Railway Museum of BC in Squamish. He enjoyed volunteering with the North Pole Express at Christmas, taking countless families to see Santa and experience many Christmas activities. He also volunteered for many years with Special Olympics most active in the Speed Skate and Softball programs.. He played for years on the Hornets, a seniors ball team here in Coquitlam. Making many friends in each of these endeavours .

He always had a joke, one liner, or a riddle for you when he saw you. However, above these activities his first love was family. Delighting in his three sons, their achievements and successes. Enjoying family holidays camping here in BC or visiting overseas family in Belgium, Ireland, or Sweden. Being very proud of his Swedish background he learnt the language, embraced overseas family and the yearly Midsommer Festival at the Scandinavian Cultural



Centre here in Burnaby.

He delighted most in the grandchildren whether shiner fishing, watching outdoor trampoline, sports events, molding clay, or listening to the trumpet. They also had something special to share with Poppie whenever he visited, and he loved it.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Calvary Baptist Church, 1636 Regan Ave, Coquitlam. May 9th at 11am.

Messages of Condolence

So long, to my pal Keith hear that train whistle whine that my friend is the train of life its destination is heaven it schedule the passage of time. May your words of knowledge like that whistle echo through the sands of time. The signal says the track is clear the way to the terminus station named heavens Pearly gates With a full head of steam you can ride that train to all the way to glory You tickets first class prestige you earn it knowing you help found an organisation that preserves the stuff that made our nation grow them silver rails you efforts For future generations to learn and to love its part in our history not may can say that. When I look at a sunset most just see sun setting looking pretty not I The glow is not the setting sun but fire banked glow from the cab and that's not clouds in the dusk that's the steam drifting low on the timetable of life as life pass us by Know this Keith your voice will echo in all those of us whom you blessed with your wisdom & words till it's our turn to board that train and we too will stop and listen, Lord, to hear that whistle crying.. To you all my heart felt thoughts go out to you at this time..

— **Andy-John Catton**

Our sincerest condolences to Vera, to the boys, to the rest of Keith's family & close friends for your loss. We are thankful for his 65 years of devotion to rail-fanning and railway history. He is a legend and will be missed by so many. Rest-In-Peace, dear friend. Marion & J. Singh Biln

— **J. Singh Biln**

To Vera and family, we were very saddened to hear of Keith's passing. We will remember him fondly from our hours of volunteering together at the Engine 374 Pavilion. He was always so kind and supportive of my books. No doubt he is enjoying that great locomotive ride in the sky.

— **Lisa and Doug Smith**

Gill and I send our sincere condolences to Vera and family. We had the privilege of knowing Keith for the past 5 years. He was very welcoming to us as new arrivals in Canada. His knowledge of railway history was incredible. He supported and encouraged me as Museum Manager and was available to help out if needed. He will be greatly missed by us all. Tom and Gill

— **Tom and Gill Arnott**

To Vera and family. So sorry to hear of Keith's passing. Keith was an originator of the West Coast Railway Association and he continued to be involved at major events including the latest North Pole Express in December. He will be missed by so many. My condolences to Vera and family

— **Bob Philip**

Vera, Eric, Karl, Michael and family - I am so very sorry for your loss of an amazing Husband, Father and Grandfather. Keith, my heart is heavy with sorrow at the loss of such a dear and incredible friend. You were always there for me when times were good, and not so good. I know that you brought warmth, kindness, and laughter (with your unique sense of humour) to not just me, but to every life you touched. I will always cherish the memories we shared and carry your spirit with me always. -Krishan

— **Krishan Mayer & Mayer Family**

We are sorry to hear about our cousin. We love him. Carin och Bertil in Kalmar sweden

— **Carin Bram sweden**

Vera and family, I am so sorry to hear of Keith's passing. We had a great chat at the last speed skating meet, he spoke of the grandkids and we talked about the years we had spent in that arena. My thoughts are with all of you at this difficult time. ☐☐

— **Lois McNary**

Vera and family, May you have many treasured memories.

— **Leslie Thornley**

Dearest Vera and family, Our hearts are broken to hear the news of Keith's passing . He was such a great long time friend. It started with so many Pru conventions together, laughs at the office, dinners together, tax time visits, and long messages on the answering machine. Even after he retired we could enjoy your company at Pru reunion lunches , black jacket dinners and Steve loved when Keith had shredding to do and would meet him for lunch. He was such a good hearted soul with so much to give. May you be riding the lifelong train to heaven. Loved and not forgotten. Thank you for all the great memories you gave us. Rip Keith.Love Steve, Michele, Alexis, Tyler and Kai ☐

— **Seyforth family**

Hi Vera and family We are sending our deepest condolences to you and your family. He was a great softball coach and a wonderful person. He will be truly missed. So Sorry for your loss. From, Armstrong family

— **Suzanne Armstrong and family**

I am very sorry for your loss Vera and Eric, Carl and Michael I member Keith and Vera when I was playing Special Olympics with Coquitlam team in different sports in 1997-2002 . And every year I'll be watching Coquitlam team play softball tournament and last time I saw Keith is 2016 and Keith was a good friend

— **Barb Keam /Elley/Dylan Reddecliff**

Dear Vera, Eric, Karl, Michael and family: We are so sorry to hear about Keith's passing. Keith along with his spouse Vera, Eric and Karl had a profound positive impact on our family through Special Olympics, softball where Keith and Vera were deeply involved in volunteering, coaching, organizing tournaments locally and province wide and of course encouraging and supporting the many athletes over the years. We are deeply grateful for Keith's loving, patient and skillful coaching of the many athletes including our son who has come to love Special Olympics activities and mostly Softball. Thank you Keith, your life made an eternal impact and we pray that you too may have eternal peace. The Pruger family.

— **Pruger family**



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