Michael Kopperud



FEBRUARY 16, 2019

Carl Joseph Michael Kopperud (Mike) was born April 19th, 1986 in Calgary, Alberta and passed away at his home on February 12th, 2019. Michael is lovingly remembered by his parents, Barry and Terry Kopperud, his sister Kate and brother-in-law Jared Bedi, his brother Jake and sister-in-law Michelle Kopperud, his nieces Sophie, Olivia, and Charlotte Bedi and his nephew Asher Kopperud. He is also remembered by his large extended family and many friends.

Mike grew up in Calgary and obtained a Bachelor of Psychology degree from the University of Lethbridge. He then worked in Information Management for a time and was most recently working towards obtaining a Masters of Psychology degree. Michael had many times of struggle in his life but always was, and is, loved by his immediate and extended family and friends who will miss him dearly. He is most remembered for his quick wit, exuberant sense of humour, musical abilities, creativity and a deep love for his family, especially his nieces and nephew.

A Celebration of Life will be at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 10620 Elbow Dr. SW, Calgary, AB on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 1:00 PM.

Michael’s family asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to associations that provide support and healing to individuals struggling with mental illness and addiction and support for their families.

Messages of Condolence

Our most sincere condolences to Barry and Terry and their entire family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

— Dianne and Gates

Although I did not know him or his family I pass on my sincere condolences and sympathy. My brother recently lost his battle with mental illness. Praying for your family and friends. In honour and memory of my brother I did a radio interview discussing mental health and the family. My sincere sympathy.

— Leanne Higgs

So sorry to hear . Prayers for the family.

— Lorne and Mary Broen

I am so very sorry for your loss. Mike was a tremendous person with a huge heart.

— Nicholas Waterbury

Sending much love as we grieve with you, remembering Mike. He was so special, funny and smart! We remember his wit and twinkle, as the cousins played out at the cabin as kids, and more recently at the family reunion.
The Kopperud family is missing a very important piece and it is hard to imagine the pain you must feel.
Please feel our love for you all. May God carry you.

— Carol Ann

I'm so sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace. May you all hold onto the peace of Jesus.

— Lisa Hamp

How my heart breaks for both of you Barry and Terry and for your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

— Dave Watland

Sincere Condolences to Kate and Jared Bedi and family and to his parents and his brother and family . □ □

— Paquerette Giroux

My heart goes out to the family during this difficult time. You're in my prayers...

— Susan Tamlin

A beautiful remembrance for a wonderful guy. Michael was so loveable and so much fun when we knew him back in Calgary, and we are sorry for the struggles he dealt with in his short life. Our prayers are with Barry and Terry, Kate, Jake, Grandma Eleanor, and all the family. We picture Grandpa Carl welcoming Mike with a huge, comforting embrace. We will be with you in spirit at LCOC on Tuesday. Love and hugs.

— Beth and Ben

I am deeply sorry for your loss. Despite his troubles along the way, Mike was an incredibly talented, intelligent, caring and creative person. His quick wit and personality will be sorely missed. I regret that I did not do more to help him through his struggles.

— Nick Mackenzie

So incredibly sorry to hear of the loss of Mike. Aching for you all. Love and prayers.

— Debbie Zepick

We are so sorry to hear this. Prayers for his family.... Mike was always there for us and he will be greatly missed.

— Maria and Emma

Sad to see you go, but glad your struggle is over. I seen you at your happiest and know that's what you always wanted.
Your forgiven and loved.
The struggle is real.

— Don

Mike truely was one of a kind - always quick with a joke and with an amazing mind for music. He will be missed. My thoughts and condolences to the family.

— Matt

Dear Terry, Barry, Kate, Jared and girls, Jake, Michelle and Asher,
Our deepest sympathies to all of you at this most sad time. We remember Michael as a talented young man who loved his family deeply. We are unable to attend the service for Michael but we are keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. May the promise of eternal life in Jesus Christ surround you now and always.
Jan and Arnie

— Jan Reimer

We will be making a donation to teen challenge in memory of Michael .

— Uncle Gary and Aunt Betty

My deepest sympathies go out to Kate, Jared and the remainder of the family during your loss. May you all find peace and lean on one another for support during this time. Xo

— Angela Ethelston

Terry and Barry, we are so sorry to hear of your heartbreaking loss. We are holding you up in prayer and send our love to you all as you journey through.

— Sally and Frank Canuel

Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all. I am so so sorry to learn about Michael. Know we are thinking of you during this incredibly difficult time. Gods peace and strength be with all.

— Lori and Leonard Gieck

Barry and Terri, please accept my condolences on your sons passing. You were such a delightful and dedicated family in the time I spent at Church of the Cross. I am so sorry. He seemed so awesome and I am praying for you and God’s peace in all things past present and yet to come. Blessings

— Pam Wehmeyer

Barry and Terry you are in our thoughts and prayers at this time..no words can ever express what is is like to lose a child and we share this loss with you as we experienced the same many years ago..Warren and Cathy Smistad

— Warren Smistad

Sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers are with your family.

— Jackie Lovely

Our deepest condolences to you Barry and Terry and your whole family. We did not know Mike but your whole family holds a special place in our hearts. We pray that you are wrapped in love and comfort during the many days ahead. Love Lori and Kevin

— Lori and Kevin Lindholm

Mike was always the funniest guy in school, he loved to make people laugh and smile.

A childhood friend.

— Zachary Jilg

We are sorry for your loss. Our hearts go out to you during this time of grief and sorrow.

— Kathy and Daryl Broen

Dearest Mike. I’m so sorry thing were hard for you. I had the privilege to work with you and you were a dedicated person.
Eternal rest, grant unto Mike O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May you rest in peace.
May your soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, Rest In Peace.
Sincerest condolences
Pam Wilson

— Pam Wilson

Terry and Barry and Kate and family and Jake and family,
We are heartbroken for all of you and keeping you close in our thoughts and prayers. There are just no words . . .

— Svend and Carol Green

Fred and I heard about Mikes passing in church this morning. Our thoughts ar with you and your families...

— Stephen Mahler

My heart goes out to everyone back in Calgary. To his family and close friends- my sincere condolences. I know that Mike's passion, charisma, and genuine nature touched many lives and he will be remembered with fondness and love.
I hope that you will find peace in the memories of his contagious laughter and caring soul.

— Julia

I had the very special privilege of being Mike’s Grade 2 teacher at Haysboro back in 1994 and I shall never forget what a wonderful young lad he was: generous with his time, gentle with others, clever, good humoured, sporty and the just perfect little guy who made such a wonderful and lasting impression on me. I find it difficult to comprehend his passing and join Mike’s family and close ones in their sorrow, and will never forget my superstar Grade 2 Student, our amazing, smiling little Michael Kopperud RIP.
Sincere and heartfelt thoughts and prayers,
Keith Richmond

— Keith Richmond

We are saddened for your loss. As much as we want to make it better for you, we know that is not possible. Please know that you have our ear, heart and shoulder at any time when you need it.
Take care and be kind to each other.
Sandi, Alex Schmidt and our girls

— Alex, Sandi, Sarah and Catherine Schmidt

I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. He really was a great guy and will be dearly missed. I have made a donation to Boys & Girls Club of Calgary in memory of Mike since they help with early intervention of mental illness and addictions.

— Melissa Thorne

Barry, my thoughts and prayers are with you and you’re family at this different time. Mike was such a pleasure to work with when we were both at Fluor. He would always be so willing to help everyone. And he was always kind. I am glad to have known him. May he rest in peace. Linda

— Linda Denomme

Our hearts ache for the whole family in this tragic loss. As parents and grandparents we are always fearful for the safety and well-being of our children and grandchildren.
Please accept our sincere condolences and our fervent hope that memories of better times will sustain you in this time of sorrow.
Lyle Comstock and Eva Wisner

— Lyle Comstock

Terry, Barry and family,
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

— Holly and Murray Heffernan

Barry, Terry and family,
So sorry for your loss. We’re thinking of you during this trying time.

— Brian and Sherry Toffin

Sending love. I remember growing up with Mike around lots having been very close with the Hodder boys.

— Emily

To the Family Kopperud:
Our family's deepest sympathy & prayers are with you;
at the painful loss of Carl, your sweet precious son.
Such sorrow, is his passing.
Only a month ago I saw him; we chatted briefly and shared a heart to heart hug...he loved you all so very much.
Prayers of rest and LIght for Carl on his eternal journey...
tender hugs to you all...
Shalom +++

— Annamarie & Family

Dear Barry, Terry, Kate, Jake and family -
I offer you my sincere and deep sympathies to you all on the sad news of Mike's loss. I remember babysitting for Michael and Katie so many years ago. Mike was always so excited when we made popcorn or ordered pizza. He always had a grin and a dance and a rubber animal to show and share. I am so very sorry that light has been dimmed. May the knowledge that others are holding you all in prayer bring you comfort and strength in this time of loss. And may the memories you and others have of Mike bring a smile to your face in the midst of your heartbreak. My love to you all - Charlotte (Lee) Petti

— Charlotte Petti

My deepest sympathy to you Terry and Barry and family. I was so sorry to hear of your loss.
It's a comfort to know he has no more struggles in this life only joy now in his final home.
Love, Vi

— Vi Madison

We are praying for all of you, and we know that God is walking with you in your sorrow and grief. He will give you the strength you need.
Blessings, Joanne and Marcus and family

— Joanne and Marcus

We are so very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. For many years we enjoyed Mike's company at our house hanging out with Dana and Blaine. He had a great sense of humour and a sharp wit. It's been a while but we remember well the song writing jam sessions that often would happen downstairs in our basement full of laughter and good times. Our most sincere condolences at this difficult time.

— Ted & Kim Hodder

Barry, Terry, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Jim Kenney

— Jim Kenney

Mike was the most outgoing kid in our confirmation class at Church of the Cross. He was kind and bright with the biggest personality. I wish I had been able to attend his memorial service with my family. I was blessed to share my childhood with him. All my love to the Kopperud family.

— Raine Michelle Hofer

I was a classmate of Mikes @ Henry Wisewood, but had lost touch since.Mike was always so friendly to such a wide range of kids, real unique guy with an amazing energy and a heart of gold. I was very sad to have heard the news.

— Dave Oppenheim

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