

Anthony (Tony) John Kwan

APRIL 7, 2021



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Anthony (Tony) John Kwan. He was born on February 11, 1978 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and passed away on April 7, 2021 in the Regina General Hospital at the age of 43 years.

Anthony was predeceased by his father John Kwan on May 11, 2020. He is survived by his mother Joyce; his sister Peggy (Jason) Irwin and their children Jarrett and Alexis; his two dogs Roo and Bao; as well as many uncles, aunts, cousins, and close friends.

Anthony courageously fought a two-year battle with cancer before becoming ill with COVID-19 in mid-March.

He grew up in Fillmore, Saskatchewan where the family owned the Fillmore Café. Anthony graduated from 33 Central School and shortly after moved to Regina. In 2002, he left to teach English in China and explore the world. In 2012, he returned to Regina, Saskatchewan to be with his family and be a support to his parents.

For the last several years, Anthony worked at Clare Parker Homes Inc. He cared very deeply for all of the residents as well as his colleagues.

Anthony had a love for travelling the world, playing tennis, and turning his living room into a personal greenhouse. He encouraged those around him to embrace different cultures, learn something new every day, and to explore everything the world has to offer. Tony loved “Jeopardy” and anything trivia related. He always seemed to know too many of the answers and would always beat us at every game

we played, even if we tried to cheat.

He would always share words of wisdom with those that needed to hear them, often saying “the only thing you can control is you” and “educate yourself”.

Tony lived every day to the fullest and we will treasure the memories that each of us has shared with him. Anthony would want all those that knew him to continue to learn, love each other, be virtuous and stand up for what is right.

The family appreciates the outpouring of love and support during this time and would like to send a special thank you to the Staff at Unit 3B at the Pasqua Hospital, SICU at the Regina General Hospital, the Allan Blair Cancer Centre, the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto, and the Kinsmen Foundation.

There will be a Private Graveside Service held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on Wednesday, April 14, 2021. We wish all those who loved Anthony could attend but due to COVID-19, the service will be a closed small gathering. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you consider making a donation to the Kinsmen TeleMiracle, the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, or the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Tony’s memory.

Messages of Condolence

Tony, we are heart broken. We thought we would meet you again in New Jersey USA when the pandemic is over. We miss you. Love you! - Brad & Helen

— **Helen Daniels**

Anthony rip! We had our happy, fun, silly & sad moments. All those moments will be kept in our hearts. We will miss u dearly xoxox

Loves u all

Der & Led family

Xoxox

— **Amy Der**

I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathies at the passing of this young man, gone far too soon. He will be deeply missed as a son, brother and uncle. May the support of friends and family help you through this difficult time.

Mona Maisonneuve

— **Mona Maisonneuve**

There are those that bring a light so great to the world, that even after they are gone, the light remains.

Anthony was and always will be your shining light Peggy..as well as for those he has loved, albeit, journeyed on without.

Huge love and gentle hugs for you Peggy..and for your Mom, Jason ,Jarrett and Lexi .

— **Cyndi & Robert Haig**

We are still in shock!! We owned the grocery store across the street from the Fillmore Cafe and watched Anthony grow into the fine young man we all knew. He was quiet and polite and we were proud to know him. Joyce I can't imagine how hard this must be for you but remember he was a good person and a wonderful son. Peggy are thoughts are with you as well! Our prayers are with you all.

— **Bill and Diane Wall**

I have many fond memories of the Fillmore Cafe and the wonderful family that proudly served the community for many years. My condolences to Joyce, Peggy and family. Anthony is forever in our hearts and will surely be missed.

— **Trevor Sachs**

Tony, my fellow Beijing patriot, your wit and wisdom, and kindness and sensitivity were my favorite parts of our many adventures together. Know that every time I say my daughter's name, which you chose, I'm smiling in your direction.

— **Brad Daniels**

Anthony I had the pleasure of meeting you and your sister through Randa we would go out to the clubs and have an awesome time you were such a wonderful sweet beautiful soul I am so heartbroken that you are gone

— **Pilar**

Thank you for being you Tony! I worked with Tony at Clare Parker homes for almost 9 years and he was such a gentle inviting person, I will never forget and will always miss you! Condolences to his family!

— **Bridget**

My deepest sympathy and condolences to your fam and extended family, including Peg, Lex, Jarrett, J, and Joyce. To my little cuz, gone too soon, but not forgotten. Your light will forever shine as long as I'm here. May you rest peacefully with the rest of our fam in the kingdom above. Forever with us.....luv ya!!

— **Boston Wong**

Tony, I will always remember the time we spent together in Beijing more than 10 years ago and the fun we had in Paris and Amsterdam. You were an awesome travel buddy! I will miss you very much ☹️ Love, - Kitty

— **Kitty Yan**

My heartfelt condolences go out to Tony's family and friends. I worked with Tony at CPH. What an incredible human being. His outlook on life and positive attitude no matter what life handed him was inspirational. I loved talking about travelling with him. He was such a gentle and kind person with a great sense of humour. He will be missed deeply.

— **Kim Cody**

Sorry for your great loss!!I Had the pleasure of being around Tony at C.P.Homes. He was such a riot. Always smiling. Always friendly. I was stunned when i heard.

— **Linda Silljer**

Anthony & I are the same age and went to school together in Fillmore, SK. It is big shock to hear of his passing. My deepest sympathy to the Kwan family. Thinking of you all.

— **Steve Shultz**

I am so very sorry to hear of Anthony's passing. My heart goes out to his family and friends. I feel privileged to have gotten the opportunity to spend some time with him and get to know a little about your wonderful family. He will be missed ☹️

— **Marlene Brenzil**

Tony, you were one of my closest friends and confidants in Beijing. It's such a shock to think you're no longer sharing the same world as us. Miss you, your calming presence and lucky Buddha's earlobes. Thinking of your Mum, Peggy and family X

— **Elise Potaka**

Rest in Peace, dear Tony. I am so very sad to hear this news. We were friends in Beijing and I remember you well for your kind spirit and positive energy. Sending my deepest sympathies to your family. Xxx

— **Christine Baker**

Tony, you were a ray of sunlight in Beijing. So many good laughs with you. You touched so many people. So sad that you have left us. To your family, condolences from Beijing. I'm thinking of you at this time. Vale Tony Kwan!

— **Stephen McDonell**

Our deepest sympathy Joyce, Peggy and family. I watched Anthony grow into a fine young man in Fillmore. Rest In Peace young man.

— **Vernna and Warren Wiggins**

You are my brother, my family. It is heartbroken to lose you. You are always living in my heart. We may meet again. Love you so much. Thinking of Joyce and Peggy.

— **Cibal**

RIP Anthony. My condolences to Peggy, Aunt Joyce, Jarrett and Lexi.

— **Cindy Kwan**

Tony will be deeply missed. I miss you very much and will miss our heart to hearts and chats about the world and all the wonderful places in it. Most of all I will miss your heart. You were so kind and gentle and you were such a good advocate. The CPH day program is what it is today because of you and your unwavering belief in the people we support, the supports and our community to have better and to be better. What a legacy to leave. We are forever changed by you. ☐ ☐ ☐

— **Rosa**

We are so sorry for your loss Peggy. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Take care

— **Carol Grant**

My sincere condolences to Joyce and Peggy as well as your extended family. I got to know Anthony as a young child when he suffered a broken leg from the car accident. He was a sweet, brave little boy with limited English when he came to the hospital. He had to be in traction and I'm sure that he was scared and lonely but he handled it so well. He was delightful as a child and from reading the tributes he grew into an amazing young man. A life to short but fully lived.

— **Linda (Swanson) Wilson**

I will be forever grateful for your friendship Tony. You taught me so much in the 10 years I had the pleasure of working with you. We connected through Gentle teaching and were like minds of how we would facilitate to our colleagues. I know you will be by my side every time I facilitate moving forward. We had lots of fun in travel and learning together. I will never forget Vancouver when we decided to take a long stroll through China town and Eastside Van. Brave souls we were. We had great conversations always. I know you will giggle when remembering the night we were sitting outside our hotel and we watched 3 different people wipe out on their bike in the exact same spot in less than 5 minutes. I remember us laughing so hard we were crying. Thankfully the people were ok. Until I see you again my friend I will miss you so much ...love and hugs to you and your family love C xoxo

— **Carolyn**

Joyce, Flo and I are so sorry to learn of Tony's passing. We miss you here at Trianon Towers.

— **Diane French**

I remember Anthony as a young boy in Fillmore. So sad to hear this news today..our condolences to his family and friends.

— **Angela Lubiens (Hanson)**

It is so heartbreaking losing you, Tony....And words can never express the pain of my heart.You said you would come to see me, and then we travel the other Asia countries together. But now, without you, I don't know where to go,and where is the fun.....Thank you for your love and care this life. You will be always in my heart, forever.. Miss you and love you so much...XOXO..Love, Taotao

— **Vivian Tao**

I was saddened to hear that Tony had passed away. I met Tony at Garritty House when he started the Community Inclusion Program for CPH and he would take my brother Van out to activities. I know that Van loved Tony and always looked forward to their activities. Tony always had a positive outlook and a smile on his face. I know he will be missed. Heart felt prayers to Tony's family, friends, and co-workers. Angie

— **Angela MacDougall**



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