

# Melvin "Earl" McLauchlin

MARCH 17, 2012



With extreme sadness, we announce Earl's passing due to complications following surgery. Earl was a great teacher who touched the lives of many, most notably at Foothills Academy, Senator Patrick Burns and Colonel Irvine schools. He loved climbing, hiking, camping, fishing, and skiing. He also loved to coach, play, and watch a multitude of sports. Earl had an exceptional gift for golf and woodworking. He will always be remembered for his tremendous wit, sage advice and a passion for lifelong learning. Earl is remembered by his loving wife, Jane, children Jordan, Lindsay, Sarah, and his beloved cat, Tess; Grandma Annie; his parents, Mel (Sue) and Maxine (Ben); brothers John (Kim) and Paul (Melinda) and children; his best friend Colin (Cindy) and children. A Celebration of Earl's life will be held at Wild Rose United Church (1317 - 1 St NW), Calgary, AB on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. Parking easement will be in effect. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made directly to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta 403-264-5549 [www.heartandstroke.ca](http://www.heartandstroke.ca), or to Wild Rose United Church 403-277-5576. Messages of condolence may be forwarded to the family at [www.myalternatives.ca](http://www.myalternatives.ca)

## Messages of Condolence

Deepest sympathy Melvin and Maxine on Earl's sudden passing. Thinking of you at this very sad time.

— **Shirley (Coles) Penner**

I was both shocked and saddened to read about Earl's passing in the paper the other day. I had the pleasure of working with him at Senator Patrick Burns. Earl was a kind and generous colleague, the kind of person who always had a smile and would go the extra mile to help when needed. My heart goes out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you take some solace in knowing that Earl will be fondly remembered in the hearts of all those he met.

Theresa Letendre (nee Locker)

— **Theresa Letendre**

It was with great sadness that I learned of Earl's passing. I had the opportunity to work with Earl at Foothills Academy where he impacted the lives of so many young people in such a positive way.

I feel fortunate to have know Earl, and feel for all of those that never got the chance to.

My thoughts are with all of his family at this time.

— **Nancy Brown**

I am so sad to read of Earl's passing. I had the opportunity to work with him, and I was struck by how much he cared about students. It was evident that he wanted them to feel comfortable and successful at school, and he did all that he could to ensure that their needs were met. He will be missed.

— **Erin Warburton**

I was very sad to hear of Mr. McLauchin's passing. He was a really wonderful teacher and made an impact in my life. I had issues as a student and he really made the effort to help me. I'm very sorry to his wife and children and deepest sympathies.

— **Katie Seager**

It has been such a special honour to know Earl. Learning new drum rhythms along with Jane and the rest of our small cast is often a highlight of the week. I have missed both of you from our midst, and share in the sorrow of all those whose knew this gentle man.

Jane, I am keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers at this time.

— **Allan Main**

Dear Jane, Jordan, Linday and Sarah,

I am so sorry for your loss. I am sending you all the love and hugs that I have during this difficult time.

Love Christina Clemente

— **Christina Clemente**

Earl was my teacher at Willowood school in grade 7/8 he was a wonderful teacher,he always went well and beyond his duties of a teacher, I will never forget him

RIP Earl

— **sandra dawson**

Earl was a wonderful teacher and mentor and I hope his legacy will be past on. My deepest condolences to his whole family.

Kelly Shnier

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