Joseph Eric Rainey

JUNE 20, 2020

It is with overwhelming sadness that we announce the passing of Joseph Eric Rainey. Joe ended his struggle with Dementia on Saturday, June 20, 2020 at home surrounded by his loving family at the age of 65.

Joe was born April 10, 1955 in Calgary where he lived his entire life. He married his teenage sweetheart in 1981. Joe was proud to have spent the majority of his career in the heavy-duty truck industry. He was an ethical person with a strong moral compass. He will be remembered for his quick wit and his amazing sense of humour. He loved old cars, fast cars and anything Canadian. The most important thing in Joe's life was his family and was a loving husband and father. Even though this horrible disease slowly robbed him over the years of everything that made him such a unique individual he always maintained his core goodness.

He is lovingly remembered by his wife, Joan Rainey; his sons, Matthew (Amber) Crivellone, Geoffrey (Erin) Rainey; daughter, Stephanie (Steve) Dalton; his 5 grandchildren, Kaydence, Linden, Oliver, Ottila and Mary. He is also survived by his brothers, Terry (Nancy) Rainey and Micheal (Linda) Rainey; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Dr. Dawn Pearson and her staff for the compassionate care that was given to Joe and his family over these most difficult years.

Joe passed on the summer equinox, the longest day of the year. The time of year when our spirits are yearning to be out, to feel alive, to be moving, to be celebrating. He is in a better place now where his mind is finally clear. He will be greatly missed.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Messages of Condolence

Love you dad. Only you will understand how much you meant to me. You were an amazing father, I think we would all agree. A life which was cut short. But even in that short time, the quality of the relationships you built with people is second to none. You were an amazing father. Thank you, I love you, and I will miss you, but never forget you. Proud to be your son.

— Geoffrey Rainey

Wonderful obituary for an amazing man!! I will miss Uncle Joe greatly, I remember lots of great talks with Uncle Joe from the time I was a small kid at Gramma and Grampa Curries house on Sundays to being a teenager with a passion for cars to a Dad with kids of my own talking about the trials and tribulations of fatherhood. He was timeless and never seemed to age. I will also remember his kind smile, in fact I do not ever remember a time when he didn’t smile or talk in that great soothing voice he had. He was a classic and the kind of guy you could easily describe to those that you don’t know as “the kind of guy they don’t make like that anymore”. God bless Uncle Joe and God Bless your family as well who hold a very special place in my Heart.

— Scott Rivers

The greatest man I have ever had the chance to know. It was a honour to call him my best friend. Forever in my heart now and always. Love you bro you are deeply missed.

— Don Borrow

We are sure going to miss you my dear cousin. I will always cherish the memories I have from our childhood to adulthood. Sending our sincere sympathy and love to all the family. Rest in peace, heaven has gained a very special angel.

— Brian and Colleen McKenzie

So sorry Joan I will always remember Joe for all the great times we had . Have read those old car mags you left and they all had to do with his project dreams.

— Rick Bell and Ann

Lori and I are so saddened by the loss of our dear friend Joe. Joan, Matt, and Geoff, and families, you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Our deepest condolences to you all. He will always remain in our hearts as our best friend.

— George Connell

Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. People like Joe Rainey are truly rare. His love of family was always obvious. Remembering the first time I met Joe, he made me feel so welcome & comfortable right away. He always had a pleasant word & we shared several fun evenings with plenty of laughs. It was an honour to have known Joe Rainey, he will be very much missed….

— Richard Honiball

I’m very sorry to hear of Joe’s passing. In the short time I got to know him it became obvious what an intelligent, compassionate and outgoing person he was. He always had an ear available if there was something you needed to get off your mind. Joe, you will be sorely missed my friend! Best cop chase story ever by the way!!
Sleep in peace brother.

— Steve Clarke

Our condolences to Joan and family. Joe and I always had fun
together at 2003. He loved his music and I think we invented karaoke listening to Jethro Tull
Aqualung. The cars we had and the racing we did in the 70’s
We will forever miss you buddy
Rock on Joe.

— Grant & Joyce Lukin

Joan and Family. So very sorry for your loss. Joe was an incredible genuine Man. Thinking of you all and sending our condolences.

— Ken and Debbie Barr

I will always remember his kind smile and gentle nature. Rest In Peace Uncle Joe. Much love and my deep condolences to all the family.

— Michelle Rainey

So sorry for your loss. I worked with Joe many years ago. He was always kind to me. He touched so many souls who will always remember him for his kindness.

— Sherri

Having lost connection with Joe, I thought of him often, as I did today and decided to search his name.

I am deeply saddened to learn he has pasted away.

I am sorry life got in the way and we lost track of each other.

Joan, although so much time has past, my thought are with you and your family.

— David Hadley

Terry,

Sorry to learn of your brother's passing.

Sincere condolences to you and Nancy.

Bill and Sandi Bastain

— Bill Bastain

So sorry and shocked to hear of Joe's passing.

I don't know why our friendship was separated.

Also disappointed that no one reached out to me to notify me of Joe's deases.

— David Hadley