

# Greg Ranalli

OCTOBER 14, 2016

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Greg Ranalli on Friday, October 14, 2016 at the age of 57. A loving husband, father, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, and friend to many.

Born in Regina, SK. on September 14, 1959, Greg was predeceased by his loving parents Marisa and Francesco Ranalli, and brothers-in-law Bill Manz and Domenico DiPaola.

Leaving to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 29 years, Cheryl; and his children Spencer and Samantha. Also left to cherish his memory are his sisters Angela (late Domenico) DiPaola, Rita (Orazio) Giannini, Carla (Rod) Sisco; his in-laws Frank and Leona Manz; brother-in-law Jim (Janet) Manz; sisters-in-law Robyn Manz and Angie Manz (Karl Sash); as well as many nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

Greg was employed by the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region for 33 years, and was a strong advocate for CUPE Local 3967 employees. He was always dedicated to lend a hand with both his knowledge and skills. Greg has touched many lives in many different ways. His positive and courageous battle with cancer was a testament to his character. Greg was a man so brave and so strong to the end.

Funeral Mass will be held in Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, 5020 Sherwood Drive, Regina, SK. on Friday, October 21, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Interment in Regina Memorial Gardens.



In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Greg's memory to the Palliative Care Unit at the Regina Pasqua Hospital, 4101 Dewdney Avenue, Regina, SK., S4T 1A5.

## Messages of Condolence

So sorry for your loss. He was a friendly gentle soul who will be missed by many. Even though I had left Regina for many years, it was funny how the first time I saw Greg when I returned, we immediately resumed our teasing humorous banter. As Cheryl and his sisters know, I knew him quite well through the union from many years ago. We attended many conferences and meetings together and I will always remember that even if we disagreed on a subject, he would always listen to my side as well. I was impressed that he was still involved in the union for all those years. It was definitely important to him to serve and dedicate his time to helping his fellow co-workers. Gone too soon. Will always be remembered. Rest in peace my friend.

— **Sandy Maximchuk**

Greg was a great man who was bigger than life and kind in so many ways. Rest in peace.

— **Phil Karza**

The death of brother Greg is not just a loss to his family but a loss to all of us. The man was not just a family man, a hard worker, or a man of peace. He was a man who dedicated his life fighting for justice and equality for all regardless of race, religion and economic class. Greg did his best to perfect out union (CUPE), he gave voice to the voiceless, he challenged the status quo in pursuit of helping those unable to help themselves. His values and principles is something that will forever be with me. Rest in peace brother Greg.

— **Bashir Jalloh**

Our thoughts & prayers are with you and family, Greg never passed you by without having something to say, mostly a big loud Blanche to me, hugs to you Cheryl, your family. Thinking of you in the time of sorrow. Take care. Harry & Sheila.

— **Harry & Sheila Sawchyn**

So sorry to hear of Greg's passing. I got to know Greg working together on our pension committee. He sure will be missed. May he rest in peace and thoughts and prayers to his wife and family. May the good Lord hold all of you close in this time of sorrow.

— **Sheron Lanz**

RIP Big Guy

Condolences to the whole family and everyone who's heart he has touched.

Will forever be remembered for all he said or did.

— **Laurie-Laural Gurski**

My deepest condolences to Greg's family. Cheryl, Spencer & Samantha. His sister's Angela, Rita & Carla.

Good by my friend. You are gone, but will not be forgotten. I will always remember the road trips & conferences we have been to. The laughs & the debates we've had along the way, they all stand out in my mind. There are very few people that I can honestly call a friend & you are one. Whether we debated over Union issues or trying to shock people by providing hugs when the other needed one.

Farewell my friend, we'll see you again.

— **Tim Timleck**

Greg represented us and fought for our union rights and he also made things happen in Radiology when we needed. On behalf of Radiology and the rest of Pasqua hospital and the people he represented, there will never be another Union person to replace him

— **Daryl Shewchuk**

I am still in shock and disbelief, we have lost a great kind man who always had a welcoming smile and great sense of humor; you have left to soon May you Rest in Peace Greg you will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

— **Debbie Gallant**

So very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Greg will be remembered fondly by all who knew him.

— **Frank and Shyloe Fiacco**

Our deepest condolences to Cheryl and the kids. Greg was a great guy, friend, coworker. He was always there to help the underdog, he will always be remembered

— **Allan and Moni snell**

Gone too soon!

Our deepest sympathy to the family.

You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Kathleen (nee Howard) and Wally Scott

— **Kathleen Scott nee Howard**

I am so sorry to hear this. We were childhood friends...one of the Howard kids on Wallace street. I will always remember his smile and wonderful sense of humour. The product of a wonderful family.

Hugs and kisses for you all at this most difficult time.

Love

Donna

— **Donna Sapiano née Howard**

Very sorry to hear of Greg's passing. Greg was a good friend when I lived in Regina and we had many good times together. He was always cheerful and fun to be around. May his family be blessed with his memories and may God be with you in this difficult time. Rest in peace my friend.

Reno and Karen Fiorante, Surrey, British Columbia

— **Reno Fiorante**

So sorry to hear of your loss, it is also a great loss to anyone who has ever met Greg. I met Greg through his work with CUPE. Greg had a way of lifting a person's feelings while the employee felt like they were worthless. I will never forget Greg, he was a great person, always a smile and a hello for everyone he passed by in the hallway. Didn't matter what kind of day you were having, Greg always had a way of making it seem not so bad and had an idea to help. Thank you Greg, for just being there and being you. No one can replace the type of person you are.

— **Grant and Darlene Stewart**

Our deepest sympathy for the loss of this gentle soul. We will always remember his giant smile that could light up any room. It is during these difficult times that we all wish we could be closer to you. Please know that each of you are in our thoughts and prayers. We leave you with a poem, "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."

With all our love from your Toronto Family xoxo

— **Adina Piacentini, Giovanna**

**Mancinelli, Pina, Ben, Anna, Frank, Mary, Domenic, Emanuela, Frank, Anna, Anthony and Families**

Wonderful person and a gentle heart. Great family friend. R.I.P.

— **John Feruglio**

Dear Cheryl and family; words are not enough; I am absolutely shocked with your dear Greg's untimely passing. He was bigger than life; and will be so missed. Take care; and know that you have a ton of folks sharing in your grief; he was so loved

— **Pam Mackinnon**

Cheryl and Family, I am shocked to hear of Greg's passing. He was always the first person to stand up for the Union Member who was afraid to stand up for themselves. We could always count on Greg to speak up for us or give us a good laugh. Thank you Cheryl, for sharing him with us to do what he cared so deeply about (participating in our Union Local). I am honoured to call him a Brother and friend. Rest in peace Brother.

— **Nancy Schoenfeldt**

Cheryl I am so sorry to hear of Greg's passing. I can't tell you how very much the last talk that the three of us had meant to me. I wanted to have many more talks. Greg will be missed by many. Our prayers are with you all.

— **Harry Mundy**

Rita, Carla and Ang ... so very sorry to hear of Greg's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

— **Jacky Zalopski (nee Eisler)**

Saddened to hear of Greg's passing. Our condolences to you, Cheryl, and the rest of the family.

— **Brian and Cherry Topp**

My deepest sympathies to the entire Ranalli family in the loss of Greg. My prayers continue to be with you as a family during your time of loss and grief. May the many memories bring you comfort, ease your sadness and bring you some peace.

— **Kevin Gooding**

Cheryl and family our thoughts and prayers are with you at the time. So sorry about your loss

— **Gordon and Debbie Noble**

Angela, Carla, Rita and Greg's Family,

We are deeply saddened to learn of the sudden passing of a our dear friend Greg. I remember first meeting Greg at Miller High School, it was his first day of High School and you could feel his excitement. He was physically intimidating with a charming and warm personality, everyone loved being with Greg. He showed his great skill as a football player and great character as a teammate, you could always depend on Greg.

Over the years I learned this never changed with Greg, large in every aspect of his life showing great love, talent, energy and character, Greg had all of these in spades.

Celebrate his life and your memories of him as he would want you to do and hold the in your heart forever.

Our heartfelt prayers and thoughts are with you and Greg's family.

Tony and Raelene Bocale

— **Tony and Raelene Bocale**

Cheryl, we were so sorry to hear about Greg's struggle with cancer and his passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Marci and Michael Scott

— **Marci and Michael Scott**



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