

# Richard John Leon Schmidt

JUNE 22, 2021

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Richard John Leon Schmidt on June 22, 2021 at the age of 74 years. Richard passed away peacefully at the Pasqua Hospital, Regina, Saskatchewan after suffering a stroke.



He was predeceased by his parents John and Dorothy Schmidt; his brother Gary; brother-in-law Tony Kurtz; son Wade; nephew Johnny Schmidt Jr.; and father-in-law Helmut Kurtz.

Richard is survived by his beloved wife Karen; daughters Lisa (Bob) Frei, Tracey (Glenn) Agnew, son Brent Schmidt; stepson Adrian (Sara) Arnason, stepdaughter Shannon Arnason; and his much beloved grandchildren Taylor (Kelsey) and Tristan Frei, Jadyn and Reise Agnew, Arianna Goodtrack, Kayli and Ava and Lily Arnason, James and Isabelle Rissling. Richard also leaves behind his brother John (Cheryl) Schmidt; sisters Doreen (Jack) Zess, Eileen (Scott) Robison, Donna (Lloyd) Fahlman and sister-in-law Peggy (Brian) Schmidt; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Richard worked in the IT industry for over thirty five years. He retired in 2001 from ISM Canada. Richard was an avid volunteer who coached sports teams, planned social events in their winter communities, served on the Prairie Co-op Board for 9 years and belonged to the Legion in Fort Qu'Appelle where he volunteered in many capacities. Richard was a passionate Toronto Maple Leafs fan who often offered his coaching and hockey tips via his FaceBook posts. Richard is

known for his quick wit, delicious meals and being a self-taught craftsman who was very talented at fixing anything and often helping others with their renovation projects. Richard and Karen enjoyed travelling and spending their winters in California, Arizona and Bucerias, Mexico.

A Celebration of Richard's Life will take place on **Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Italian Club, 2148 Connaught Street, Regina, SK.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation may be made.

## Messages of Condolence

I am so sorry to hear this. I'm so glad I got to meet him and enjoy his company. He will be missed . Hang on to your wonderful memories and remember you will meet again. With love and Sympathy Al

— **Alene Leazer (Giggles)**

Richard was a real good friend and we were sad to hear of his passing , we will cherish our memories in Arizona . Hugs to Karen and family RIP dear friend..

— **Marcie&Jack Symes**

So sorry to hear of the passing of Richard. My condolences and prayers to you, Karen and the family.

— **John Rosenow**

Karen, our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of your family. Take care.

Sue & Al Wilson

— **Sue Wilson**

Our condolences to the whole family, a certain special family to us. And to Karen our condolences on the loss of your father as well. We enjoyed meeting up with Richard and Karen on many a family occasion. ☐

— **Alison McGrath, Logan and Austin Gramantik**

Dear Karen. I'm so sorry to hear about your dear husband's passing. May you be lifted up by the wonderful memories you shared with Richard. Prayers will be offered to support your needs at this sad time in life. Sending much love, in friendship - Maureen Johns

— **Maureen Johns**

Dear Karen and Family,

Our condolences to you and your family at this very sad time. Another golf buddy gone. Our thoughts and prayers are with you .

Sincerely

Jim and Peggy Altwasser

— **Jim and Peggy Altwasser**

Karen, Merv and I are so sorry to hear of Richard's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

— **Roberta Oleksyn**

Oh dear Karen... I have just read the terrible news. I am so shocked and so sad. I see lots of people every day. I don't even know their names. There are just very few people who "impact" with their presence, light or energy, and Richard and you are two of those kind of people. I've always felt happier when I see you guys. I enjoy my job more when you and him show up.

I am sure he won't leave you ever. I am sure he is still here and I am sure he will still be watching and listening to the Geckos wherever he is now. Rest in Peace dear friend. Will miss you forever.

Karen. You have a family in México. I am so sorry for your loss and send you my deepest condolences.

— **Victor Vera**

My deepest sympathy to Richards family.

— **Paul Coueslan**

Condolences to you and your family, Karen. We Williamses are thinking about you all. Hugs

— **Marcia**

Our sincere condolences to Richards family.

May he Rest In Peace

God Bless All

— **Gary & Donna Rissling**

My sincere condolences on Richard's & Helmut's passing.  
Joyce & family.

— **Joyce Olson**

We are so sorry to hear about Richard. Our condolences to you and your family Karen. I always enjoyed Richard's suggestions about how we could make the Valley a better place and what kind of fundraisers we should do!! It is just so sad.

— **Sharon Martin**

Richard was one of those guys you instantly want to hang out with. So full of energy, interesting conversations, very welcoming, and could party with the best! Heavy hearts as we learned of his passing.

— **Ken & Evelyn LaMott**

Karen

Don and I are so sorry to hear of Richard's passing. Richard rocked at booking the bands for our Rancho events, and was very helpful with the Children's Christmas fund. He initiated donating the 50/50 funds from Thanksgiving to our fund (a practice that has continued), and was supportive of the silent auction. Our condolences to you, John & Cheryl, and all of your family.

— **Linda & Don Avison**

Karen, I wish I had some words to ease your pain and the huge void you must feel. Please know you are in my thoughts. Take care of yourself my friend.

— **Valerie Wert**

Karen and family, so so sorry for your loss. We can't believe it. Barb just spoke with him at length at pharماسave. Life can be so unfair at times. We enjoyed your friendships. Hugs from both of us. Bob and barb

— **Bob and Barb fahlman**

We are very sorry to hear of Richard's passing. Dale always enjoyed his company and was very fortunate to have met such a genuine and caring coop board member. Our sincere sympathy to you Karen, and the family.

— **Kathy Miller**

Dear Karen, I am so sorry to hear about Richard. There are no words of comfort, just know you are in my prayers. Blessings to you and all who loved him. Big hugs my dear friend.

Sarah

— **Sarah Longman**

Dear Karen and family,

My sincere sympathy to you in your loss of your dear husband, Richard. Wonderful memories will always keep him in your heart.

— **Collette Robertson**

Our sincere condolences to you Karen Shmidt. Such a great loss to you, your family and a community. Hope In time the pain and sadness will ease and the fond memories of him will give you comfort.

It was great having shared time with you and him in California.

David and Marion Code.

— **Marion And David Code**

We are so sorry and shocked to hear of Richard's sudden passing. We have very fond memories of conversations and laughs years ago in the hockey rinks of NW Regina. Richard and I had recently found each other again on Facebook. We immediately started reminiscing of the old, fun days.

Our deepest sympathies to the family. A great guy gone.

— **Ron & Gwen Nugent**

Karen,

Richard was larger than life...so full of energy and always busy.

We will always remember how he and Lorne would go shopping while you and I worked at the conferences. We have some great memories of spending time with you guys.

We send our condolences on the passing of your best friend.

Lori and Lorne xoxo

— **Lori Keith/Lorne Carter**

Condolences to all of the family. I worked with Richard for many years at ISM, he was always very entertaining at coffee breaks with his stories and insights on life.

— **Ed Beisel**

Dear Karen. I am so sorry for your loss of Richard and your Dad. Very sad. Thinkin of you and God be with you

— **Christine Klyne**

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time may he r I p remember the good times as it will help you through this sad occasion take care

— **Brian and dolly Rissling**

Richard was a kind and generous man. We will remember all the good times we had together. Karen, you are a very strong women, and with help from family and friends, you will get through this tragic event.

Love from Barry and Anne

— **Barry and Anne Carter**

My sincere condolences to the whole family, having worked with Richard for many years I will always remember his laugh, keep it in your heart always and it will console you as time past.

Maddy

— **Madeleine Marcoux**

My deepest sympathy to Richard's family. I worked with Richard for several years at SaskComp. It was always so much fun when we would gather for our annual Christmas parties. Lots of laughs and memories. Take care

— **Deanna Toth Metz**

To all of Richard's family, I extend my deepest sympathy at his passing. I only heard about his untimely passing today (July 26). May he rest in peace.

— **Mel Sebastian**



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