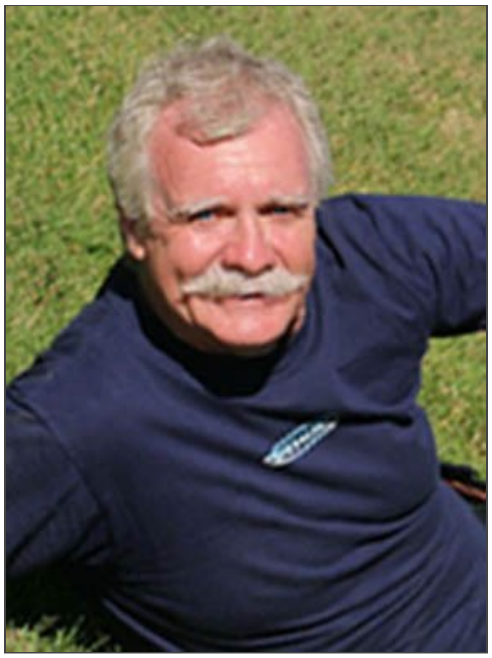
James "Just Al" Allan Stickel



JANUARY 5, 2017

STICKEL, James Allan (“Just Al”)
May 24, 1953 – January 5, 2017

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of James Allan Stickel, with his loved ones at his side, after a courageous battle with cancer. He will be lovingly remembered by his mother, Mary Stickel; his wife of 36 years, Sharon Stickel (Olenick); his son, Christopher Stickel (Dallas); daughter, Leah Kelly (Chris); son, Kelly Banks; grandchildren, Riley & Jayden Stickel, Natasha & Nicholas Kelly; his siblings, Dauna MacDonald, Sharon VanCise-Ginther, Keith Stickel (Laurie) and Tim Stickel (Debbie); numerous brothers & sisters in law; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins; his “special friend”; and all his friends on and off the big screen. He was predeceased by his father, James Stickel; and his infant sister, Coleen.

Dad was a fun loving, easy going man, who in his youth was an active Christian. As life went on, he wore many hats- a post office worker, a ranch hand, truck driver, fire fighter and fire chief, and his last calling – an actor. He was famous for his piercing blue Stickel eyes, his warm smile, a little “Tennessee Honey” and microwaved rum. He had a passion for travel and enjoyed the sun; he had a very big heart and the best hugs, and he meant so much for so many different people, too many to mention.

A family Celebration of Al’s Life will be held at the United Church in the Valley, 125 Royal Ave, Turner Valley, AB on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 1:00 pm.

If friends so wish, donations may be made in Al’s memory to the Alberta Cancer Foundation, #300, 1620 – 29 Street NW, Calgary, AB, T2N 4L7.

Messages of Condolence

Thinking of you always. Miss you terribly. Will always have great memories of you from the first time we met until our last hug - I'll take care of your daughter :)

With love.

— Chris Kelly

Condolences to Sharon and all family. A very special person. We loved Al, and will miss him at all our Family gatherings

— Pat & Dave Kelly

I was very sorry to hear of Al's passing I worked for and with him in the Canada post he was a great guy and was great company on any project we work on may he rest in piece ,he was way too young .

— Robert John Laidlaw

I remember Al from the CMPP many years ago. My condolences Sharon and to you and all of your families.

— Kathy Park

Will always miss you Allan. Have many, many memories of you growing up. RIP dear nephew!

— Dallas Osmond

Hi Sharon and Family

I did not know you but did know AL He would do hot shot for us here at Emco

My Condolences to you and your Family Had many chats with Al when he would come

over to pick-up! Sad to hear of his passing! What a great man!

God Bless!

Brenda

— BRENDA PARKINSON

Al was a big man with a matching heart. I always considered him a great friend, we had many laughs & great conversations driving up & down Hwy #2 Al was a real cowboy!! We've lost such a great man...Lost touch over the years & when I tried to contact him....he'd already left us. Although it's been awhile, I offer my deepest condolences to his Mom, to Sharon & children.

Richard Sabourin

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