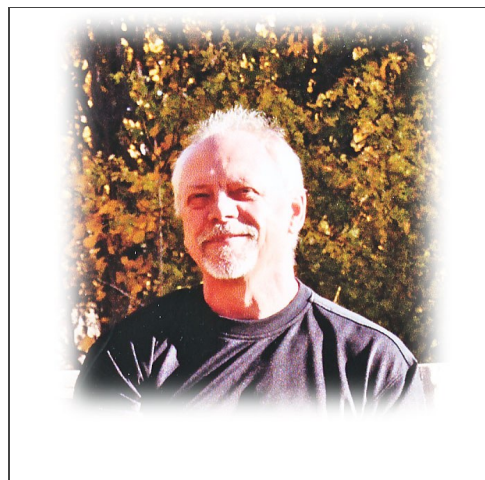


Joseph Clifford Thompson

APRIL 3, 2018

It is with great sorrow the family of Clifford Thompson announces his sudden passing at the age of 63 on Tuesday April 3, 2018 with his loving wife Rita by his side.



Cliff was born on February 27, 1955 in Sedgewick, Alberta as the eldest of 9 children. He grew up in the area, later meeting and marrying the love of his life Rita in 1986. Cliff and Rita spent time in Blackfalds, Grande Prairie, Spruce Grove and Red Deer before settling down in Sylvan Lake, Alberta.

Cliff spent his whole career working in the oilfield industry within a variety of roles and companies. Most recently, as Operations Manager of Advantage Valve Maintenance in Sylvan Lake. He was extremely loyal and dedicated to his job and truly enjoyed what he did. During his work over the years, he made some life long connections and they will miss him dearly.

Anyone who knew Cliff knew of his passion for golf. He could often be found on the course or driving range trying to perfect his game. He also enjoyed camping, especially just off a golf course. Cliff also liked to fish and travelling to warmer climates and enjoyed catching the odd sport on tv such as curling, hockey and golf. Cliff was passionate about music, attending many concerts over the years, sometimes twice. He was also extremely proud of capturing his uniqueness in his many tattoos.

Cliff was a social man and enjoyed the company of many different people. He had no problem striking up a conversation with anyone, anywhere, anytime. He had such a kind heart and loved a good laugh. Cliff adored his grandchildren, they were his focus and had a special part in his world. He was always talking about them, what they were doing and accomplishing, he truly loved every minute he got to spend with them.

Cliff will be lovingly remembered and severely missed by his wife, Rita, their fur babies Cita and Hoover. His son Greg Thompson & his wife Barb, son Brent Youngs & his wife Bonnie, daughter Renee Youngs and his grandchildren Parker & Cali Thompson, and Branton Olfert. His brothers Darrell (Shannon), Ron, Clarence (Layle), Kenny (Trish) and sisters Margaret Thompson, Yvonne Harris, Tracy (Leroy) Ekman, brother in law Ron Mercier (Debbie) as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, Ivan and June Thompson, in laws Rene and Dorothy Mercier and his brother Brian Thompson.

A celebration of Cliff's life will be held Thursday April 12th from 1-3pm at the Sylvan Lake Legion Branch 212, 4916-50 Ave. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Cliff's name to the Children's Wish foundation at www.childrenswish.ca

Messages of Condolence

Dear Rita and Family

I was deeply saddened to hear of Cliff's passing....I'll always remember him as the kind, caring man he was. He went out of his way to help me out during the Northland days....and was always good for a warm hug and a great chat when I was fortunate enough to run into him later on in our careers.

I'm sorry I won't be able to attend the service, please know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Pam Sinclair

— **Pam Sinclair**

Rita, so sorry to hear about Cliffs passing, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

— **Brian & Kris Boschee**

Rita, Barb & families. Sending our sincere condolences in your recent loss. Reading Cliffs Obituary, we can feel your pain & see how he will be missed! We will not be able to attend on Thursday, so wanted to send hugs & let you know that we will be thinking of you in this difficult time. Take care and may you hold your memories dear in your hearts!

From one of your Co-operators family members to you.

— **Gisele & Colin Wilson**

We were truly saddened to hear of Cliff's passing. Our family is keeping your family in our thoughts & prayers!

— **Josh & Lisa Hills & family**

We are saddened to hear of Cliff's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all his loved ones. With sincere sympathy, Shawna & Kevin Vandeven

— **Shawna Vandeven**

We were so sorry to hear of Clifford's passing. Condolences to his family on their loss.

— **Judy and Roger Ferrier**

Sorry to hear of Clifford's passing....our paths crossed in Grande Prairie many years ago at a Precision Drilling seminar, I think he was working for a subsidiary of PD...always ready to visit and smile. MY fond memories warm your hearts.

Kelly (Whelan) Blanch

Red Deer.

— **Kelly Blanch**

Sorry to hear of the passing of Clifford. I use to babysit the kids. Clifford's Grandmother was my Godmother. Been family friends as long as I can remember. RIP Clifford.

— **Shirley (culbert) Komick-bethge**

Sadly miss my youngest brother.

— **Ken Thompson**

A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves,for they are still alive in our hearts and mind,through us they live on, he will not be forgotten.Rita our thoughts and prays to you and your family.

— **Paul Ringrose**

So sorry for your loss I've known Cliff most of his life he was the same age as my son and was always a very nice person. Thinking of you and your family peace and love. Jeanette Harris

— **Jeanette Harris**

My dear old friend Rita, as Cliff was married to you, then he had a happy, fun filled life. It never gets easier, just seems to hurt a little less, but do not hurry, time, will dictated when you may stop grieving, if ever, and let no one tell you different. May God watch over you, and family. All my Love Valerie.

— **Valerie A. Vanderberg**

Rita,

Even though we have never met my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. The time I got to spend with Cliff was enjoyable, educational, and everlasting. I understand that he cared deeply about his family and furry friends. I will miss my Sylvan lake buddy.

I hope peace finds your heart.

PS. Keep those Christmas cards coming, and thanks for thinking of us.

— **Toby Roberie**

Our deepest condolences to the family. Rest in Peace Cliff, we'll miss you.

— **Matt Macleod**

Rita, I cannot begin to tell you how shocked we were to hear this terrible news. Although we never had the chance to meet Cliff, we wish we had. From our hearts we offer our sincerest condolences & prayers. (((hugs)))

— **Jennifer Johnson & Serge Gillet**

Dear Rita and Family,

I was so so saddened to hear the news. I truly enjoyed working with Cliff at the office in Sylvan Lake, and will miss our catch up sessions we had. My deepest sympathies to you all. You're in my prayers ...Wanda Muzyka

— **Wanda Muzyka**

So very sorry to hear of Cliff's passing Rita. Thinking of you & your family & sending our deepest condolences.

— **Wendy Barr & Barry Lowe**

Dear Rita and Family

We were saddened to hear of Cliff's passing.

Blessings to you and your family.

Sending Love and Hugs.

EJ and Dennis

— **EJ and Dennis Pommen**

Rita, we are so very sorry to hear of Cliff's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time. Glenn and Melodie

— **Glenn and Melodie Bradley**

Dear Rita & Family,

Our most sincere sympathy to you all on Cliff's passing. Bill and I went to school with Cliff, and knew him as a friendly happy guy. We were happy to see him at our class reunion and also at Silver Creek Golf Course. May your many memories of Cliff help you all through this difficult time. Our thoughts are with you all.

— **Bill & Marguerite McPherson**



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