

Peter Hewitt Versluys

JANUARY 5, 2021

Peter Hewitt Versluys was born to Myrtle & Arie “Pete” Versluys on May 26, 1948. He spent his formative years in Champion, Alberta. His post secondary education led to a bachelors then a masters degree in social work from the U of A in Edmonton & U of C in Calgary. He finished his career in the field of mental health therapy.



In 1973 he married Henderika (Rita) Visser, and they raised two children, Laura Anne and Peter Michael. They resided in Didsbury until 2019. Peter was predeceased by his mother in 1962, his father in 2000, and his wife in 2019.

Peter had many passions including music, sports, and travel. He loved his family, friends, his dogs, and his community. He served two terms as a Didsbury Town Councillor and was on the Didsbury Museum and Didsbury Library Board .

He loved loved people in need. It was his passion. He was excited to talk to and learn about the stories of everyone he met . He was described by many as a “good guy”.

Peter was diagnosed with frontal temporal dementia in 2016 and passed peacefully on January 5th, 2021 in Red Deer, AB. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made the Alzheimer’s Society at <https://alzheimer.ca/ab/en>

Messages of Condolence

Sending my sincere sympathy to Laura and Peter. Your Dad was of great help to me when I was finishing my degree in social work. He acted as my intern supervisor, mentor, and friend. He was never too busy to help me work through my professional requirements and freely shared his knowledge and experience with me. I will always be grateful for his friendship and support.

— **Leslie-Ann Marten-Myers**



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