

Andrew David Watt

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In Loving Memory of Andrew David Watt (1982
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Andrew was born in Burnaby, British Columbia in 1982. As a child he loved to be in the midst of people and outdoors. His favourite activities were riding his bike and building ramps so he could launch his toy boats into any and every source of water. He also loved to read and he carried a large full colour book “The Living World” almost everywhere for two years until it literally fell apart.

He enjoyed fishing trips with his father and grandfather, swimming and piano lessons with his mother and sister, Hayley. He loved the family dog Lady and the many gerbils and fish that joined us over the years. Every week he played hockey at Boys Brigade and he was highly engaged with his Sunday School teachers and Youth Leaders at both Royal Oak Community Church (ROCC - Burnaby) and Westwood Community Baptist (Coquitlam). He played roller hockey for two years, gymnastics for two years and wrestled throughout high school (Pacific Academy, Lord Tweedsmuir) winning several gold medals for his weight category. He finished an Electrician’s pre-apprenticeship program during his senior high school years and won first place in the BC Skills competition 1999 and 2000. He placed second in the Canada Skills competition in 2000.

Andrew met his wife Kate (Whitehouse) through the College and Career group at ROCC. His willingness to attend Bard on the Beach year after year clinched the deal for her and they were married on October 10, 2004 in Burnaby. In 2004 Andrew moved to Fort St John to find work in the oil and gas industry. Kate joined

him in the winter of 2005 and they welcomed the birth of their first son Ethan in September 2006. In 2009 they celebrated the birth of their second son Rueben. Andrew was a devoted father and husband and loved to spoil his boys. Ethan loved quadding with Dad and Rueben loved to take rides in Dad's corvette. Andrew's faithful dog Lilly was always at his side and loved going quadding, walking and to work with him.

Andrew loved living in the North. He enjoyed the creative challenges of his job and had a wonderful appreciation for the landscape of the Peace Region. He looked forward to his yearly quadding trips with his friends and would take his boat out on Charlie Lake whenever he could. Known as "the Philosopher" to many of his friends, Andrew could handle his own in any conversation and loved to discuss a wide range of topics including religion, politics, Shakespeare and his work as well as the merits of a good whiskey.

Andrew enjoyed travelling with his family and had fond memories of his times spent at Pender Harbour and childhood camping trips to Disneyland as well as more recent holidays to England, Amsterdam, France and Italy. An upcoming family trip was being planned to Disneyland as well as a visit to remote Easter Island.

Andrew was loved by his wife Kate, his sons Ethan (6 years) and Rueben (4 years), his Mom Sylvia (Doug), Dad Andy (Wendy) and sister Hayley (Tony), his niece Mackenzie and grandmother Inez, aunts and uncles Pat (Ivan), Violet (Gord) Jim (Deanna), Susan (Mike), Nancy (Trevor), Linda (Sean), cousins Jeff (Monique), Sandra (Ryan), Joshua, Nathan, Zac, Amy, Becky, Brendan, Aiden and many 2nd cousins and extended family.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to your favourite charity in Andrew's name or give to the Canada Asthma Association.

You are invited to leave a personal message of condolence for the family.

Messages of Condolence

Sending our deepest condolences to all of you. Especially to you Kate, and the boys. We are heart broken over this. I wish we could be there in person but we will be there tomorrow in our hearts. Love to the whole family from all of us here.

— **Stella & Tom Quinn**

A message to Kate, Ethan and Rueben and the rest of my family out west - Andrew is gone - but will never be forgotten. I still remember the first time that I met Andrew - he was one and so was my son. Although our boys never saw each other again - we stayed connected through all my family out west via letters, emails and facebook. You were an awesome family person Andrew and your family will never forget that. Just remember Kate to take one day at a time - it does get easier as each day passes - I know - I have been through the same grief as you are going through. Remember the good times, the laughs and happy family moments. Thinking of all of you at this time.

— **Carole-Ann Bourgeois**

My love and prayers for you Kate and sons, and all the family. May God comfort you all. "Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal".

— **Lydia Holmlund**

We are so sorry to hear about your loss of Andrew and send our heartfelt condolences to you.

We pray you will find peace, comfort, rest and strength in The Lord.

Thinking of, and praying for you.

— **Tami, Ron, Ryan and Jason**

Our hearts break for you at this time. I'll always remember going to Red Robin with him and the gang from Royal Oak... Every time I go there now I'll remember his laughter to keep his memory alive. May God rest his peace and comfort on you as you journey through this valley. Love, Sam, Ann, Josiah and Simon

— **Sam, Ann, Josiah and Simon Pimentel**

Kate, I'm deeply saddened by the news of Andrew's passing. I can't imagine how difficult this has been on you, your boys and the rest of the family. I'm happy for you in that you were able to create some amazing memories together. Those, you will have for life. We are out of town this weekend, otherwise I would've loved to be there to support you. You are in my thoughts daily. Sending love.

— **Alison Scarlett**

We are so sorry for your loss. All our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. He will be greatly missed. Kerri Lillianna and Jason Green

— **Kerri Green**

Sylvia as a Mom my heart goes out to you and the loss of your son Andrew. Condolences also to all of Andrew's family, it's so hard to lose someone, especially so young. He sounds like he was such an amazing person who had accomplished a lot in his young life & that he sure loved his family.

— **Cheryl Imayoshi**

34 years ago this day, an amazing little boy was born. He would impact everyone who came into contact with him - there was never a dull moment when you were in Andrew's presence! 3 years, 2 months ago he left us, suddenly and unexpectedly.... "Some people come into our lives and quickly go. They leave footprints on our hearts and we will never, ever be the same." Love you Andrew - Mom.

— **Sylvia McLellan**



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