

REMEMBERING

John Lightheart

May 1, 1954 - May 25, 2011



Mr. John William Lightheart, late of Abbotsford, BC passed away on May 25, 2011 at the age of 57 years.

John leaves to mourn his wife Myra, step-children Andrea Munro (Jason) and Derek Schween (Jaime) and three grandchildren, London, Davis, and Lauren; sisters Marlene Sterba (Lud)and thefamily, and Maureen Kormendy and her family; and birth mother Hazel Lundy and her sons. John will be deeply missed by his uncles, aunts, cousins and his many friends.

John was predeceased by his parents Mac and Lena Lightheart and his nephew Bryan Kormendy.

John grew up in Chilliwack, BC and graduated from high school in 1972. Music has always been a big part of John's life: during school years he played the clarinet and the accordion and at the age of 16 joined a popular local band. The Commancheros. John was a great tennis player and he graduated with a BA from UBC debt free because of his earnings as tennis instructor and the keyboard player in the band.

John worked as a Correctional Officer for 25 years at Mission Institution and was passionate about investing in the inmates. John loved to hear people's stories and to help them with their challenges. Another passion was business - a self-described incurable entrepreneur, John was curious to find new ways to present old products.

June 5, 1999 John did something he thought he would never do - he got married! John and Myra loved to explore Vancouver and area in search of interesting restaurants, to hike for countless miles, and to spend time with family and friends.

As John's health declined and he could no longer do those things he loved, he found great pleasure in just being with people.

You are welcome to join us for a memorial service on Wednesday, June 1 at 1:00 pm at Bradner Community Hall, 5305 Bradner Road, Abbotsford. In lieu of flowers, consider a donation towards a memorial park bench for John at Mill Lake. Contributions may be made at CIBC, South Fraser Way & Clearbrook Road, Branch, Abbotsford.

