



Anthony (Tony) George Watier, age 62, passed away peacefully on 10 June 2023 at Stanton Territorial Hospital, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories after a brief battle with cancer.

Tony was born in Chatham, New Brunswick in December 1960; his father, George Watier, served with the Canadian Air Force, so Tony and his two sisters grew up in several communities in Canada and Germany, with many memorable trips to England to visit his mother Jean's family. He was privileged to travel throughout Europe for family holidays and sporting events, which also fostered his interest in art, which grew to be an enduring passion.

Tony moved to Yellowknife in 1981, and called it home except for two short periods where he "moved south" (Edmonton – 1983; Saskatchewan - 1997-99). His varied interests, inquisitive nature, and sharp mind led him on many adventures and kindled many friendships. Tony most enjoyed participating in various sports, sharing his love of art, wine, food, books and music with friends and family, and experiencing the great beauty of the northern landscape through photography, hiking, camping and fishing. He worked in several roles, and industries, over the years, which suited his interest in continuing to learn and explore; this included being a loadmaster on a Hercules aircraft with Echo Bay Mines, a plant operator and a systems operator with the NWT Power Corporation, a photo finisher with Yellowknife Photo Centre/Yellowknife Foto Source, a framer with Arctic Art Gallery, and owner of Birchwood Gallery.

Tony valued his family and friends immensely. He loved sharing stories and laughter with his mom, dad, sisters, friends, and three daughters, Alexandra (marriage to Cheryl Dies), Mary and Elizabeth (marriage to Sandra Mann). Tony remained connected to family in England, extended family and friends across Canada and internationally, with several memorable holidays to re-connect in person.

Tony is pre-deceased by his mother, Jean Watier, and survived by his father, George Watier, sisters Beth Watier (Peter Bent) and Jill Watier, his wife, Sandra Mann, his daughters, Alexandra McBride, Mary Watier and Elizabeth Watier, and his granddaughter, Kori McBride.

The family of Tony would like to thank the friends and health care providers who supported Tony in his final journey; your compassion and caring made the journey lighter. Thank you to McKenna Funeral Home for their compassionate and professional support. A private ceremony will be held for Tony. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Stanton Territorial Hospital Foundation.