

Steven Paul Vallillee



Steve was born to Paul and Carole in Ottawa. The family then moved to Yellowknife in 1969. He graduated from Sir John Franklin High School, then attended NAIT studying Business Administration. Steve became a part owner of Coldwell Banker in Yellowknife until 2005 when he moved to British Columbia.

Steve was an avid sportsman and a natural athlete, great at anything he tried; basketball, hockey, broomball and fastpitch. He competed in far too many tournaments to list. He was a member of the Yellowknife Junior Merchants fastball team that won

the World Junior Nationals in 1974. In 2013, the Yellowknife Junior Merchants were inducted into the NWT Sport Hall of Fame which is something Steve was very proud of.

Later in life, Steve competed in multiple World Masters Games in Portland, Melbourne, Edmonton and Sydney. His team won silver in men's fastpitch in Melbourne before finally winning a gold medal in men's fastpitch in Sydney in 2009. Another proud moment for Steve.

Steve was a quiet, proud, big hearted, trustworthy, reliable, gentle man who enjoyed simple things like fishing, boating and relaxing at his cabin. He made many lifelong friends through softball and was both highly regarded and well respected, so often being described as a "class act".

Steve was enormously proud of his two children, Kevin and Erin, whom he loved with all his heart. He was thrilled Kevin and Erin had found wonderful partners in Stephanie and Brian. He was equally proud that they both have successful careers, productive lives and grew into the beautiful adults they became.

Steve was an incredibly loving husband, thoughtful and kind. He was deeply loved, cherished and adored by his wife, Leila, who was with him, by his side, until his very last breath. His Aussie family absolutely loved him and appreciated the Canadian sunshine he brought with his visits.

On December 3rd, 2020, this world lost a truly fine man, a kind, thoughtful and gentle soul, who at 62, left us far too soon. Rest easy Steve, fully knowing your impact on this world was remarkable. Give dad a big hug from all of us.

Steve is survived by his mother, Carole Vallillee (Victoria), wife, Leila (Vancouver), Steve's two children, Kevin (Stephanie) & Erin (Brian) in Yellowknife, his sister Brenda (Victoria) and little sis Jan (Yellowknife). His father, Paul Vallillee, predeceased Steve in 2015.