



## ***Thank you Son; you continue to inspire me.***

At a time when he was homeless because of an incident at home, he chose to go clean of drugs so he could work at the mines. After seven years of daily use of marijuana, and experimenting with every street drug in Yellowknife, he, with the Lord Jesus (his Higher Power), got totally clean and got a job at the mine. After several shifts the mine heard he had charges PENDING (about to be possibly dropped) and was told he couldn't return. 'Really thought this would turn him back to his old ways, but he didn't. However, partying on the afternoon of August 24, 2016, he was involved in a quad accident and whether he chose to stay behind or was just left behind (don't know) but ended up being mauled by a bear and eaten by wolves. The final forensic report showed no drugs in his body parts found.

It should also be noted that he spoke of suicide 24/7/365, but knew that wasn't the Lord's way. 'Couldn't count times he held a knife to throat or arm but never cut or left a scratch, because of his love of family and friends. But like Elijah (1Kings: 19.4) prayed, "It is enough: now O Lord, take my life." That was Mark's most earnest prayer as he found life and the way he was seen and treated as harsh and cruel.

I share his story in the hope that other youth or addicts of any age can know change is possible with the help of the Higher Power (as you acknowledge Him) or that maybe even one suicide may be prevented because one doesn't want to be selfish and hurt family and friends. It is also a call to all partiers to look out for your friends safety and well being.

**Thanks Son, Love, Mom & Dad & Sisters**  
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