



# Lorne Edward Matthews

April 19, 1946 - Melville, SK ~ April 16, 2014 - High River, AB



It is with heavy hearts we must announce the passing of a very unique individual after a long and brave battle with cancer. Lorne Edward Matthews of High River, passed away at High River Hospital on Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at the age of 67 years. His loving wife Beverly, daughter Mykaela and life-long friend Al Dakin were by his side.

Lorne was born on April 19, 1946 in Melville, SK to Wilson and Alma Matthews.

Lorne attended the University of Manitoba where he studied architecture. He married his wife, Beverly, in 1969, and with her and his three-month-old daughter Mykaela, moved to Jamaica where he worked for three years. While there, they had another daughter, Rebecca. They then moved to Malaysia for a year and London, England for six months.

Avid travellers, Lorne, Beverley and Mykaela (until she was 16) visited over thirty countries. The family moved to Yellowknife, NT after returning to Canada where Lorne worked for the Territorial and Federal governments for twenty-seven years. While in Yellowknife, they hosted fifteen foreign exchange students from all over the world, most of whom they kept in touch with.

After retiring in 2001, they moved to High River where they became active members of the community and made many good friends. Lorne was a member of the Liars Club, which met every Thursday at the Auction Mart,

River City Classics, the Calgary Model T Club, the Tractor Museum and the High River Oddfellows.

Never boring, always opinionated, he was a renaissance man who loved trying new languages, food and travel. If he did anything, he did it with everything he had. He was a man who, once he gave his word to a friend, would always follow through.

Lorne is survived by his wife Beverley, daughter Mykaela Haarstad (Blair); grandson Liam Matthews-Nesland; and granddaughters Meagan, Alison and Morgan Haarstad. He will be missed by his friend Jack Turner for their evening coffee at McDonalds. He was predeceased by his parents Wilson and Alma, brother Larry, daughter Rebecca and granddaughter Anastasia.

A Celebration of Lorne's Life will be held at a later date. Forward condolences through [www.mcinnisandholloway.com](http://www.mcinnisandholloway.com). If friends so desire, memorial tributes may be made directly to the charity of the donor's choice.

In living memory of Lorne Matthews, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Fish Creek Chapel, 14441 BANNISTER ROAD S.E. Telephone: (403) 256-9575.

A Celebration of Life will be held Aug. 13, 2014 at his residence in High River from 2 pm onwards.