

KENNETH JACK CORNISH 1946 ~ 2017

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our husband, father, papa, brother and friend, Jack Cornish, a lifelong resident of Dawson Creek, B.C. Jack left us peacefully, surrounded by his family, on Monday, April 17, 2017 in Dawson Creek at the age of 71 years.

Kenneth Jack Cornish was born in the Pouce Coupe Hospital on April 3, 1946. At the time of his birth, the Cornish family, Ken, Betty and their first child Elaine, lived in the Clark

District. Within a few short years, Delbert, Carol and Lorraine came along and the Cornish family was complete.

In October of 1970, there was a cute young lady named Bonnie Jones who worked at the local gas station where Jack's dad worked on his trucks. Jack and Bonnie had their first date on October 29, and it was the start of their 47-year relationship. They were married on August 26, 1971. Their children, Angela and Kurt, were born in 1973 and 1976, respectfully. Throughout the early part of the 1970s, Jack worked 15-plus- hour days building farm equipment so he could save enough money to purchase his own truck. Jack was a hardworking, dedicated employee who was goal-oriented. He was able to save the funds he needed to purchase a truck and began trucking under his own name. Jack hauled logs and gravel throughout the Peace Region.

In 1982, Jack formed a partnership with a group headed by Don Kirschman, to open United Spring and Break. Through his work at United, Jack built a reputation in the community as a man who cared about his employees and honored every customer who came through the door.

You can't really talk about Jack without talking about his relationship with his

'Little Guys' Jack was smitten from the moment his grandson, Ridley Chisholm, was born. The two spent virtually every Sunday together from the moment Ridley was released from the hospital to the time Jack himself was a long-term patient. Ridley received a first class Ford, diesel and small engine education throughout the hundreds of hours working in Jack's shop.

Jack was predeceased by his parents Ken and Betty Cornish. Jack is survived by his wife Bonnie Cornish, his daughter Angela (Paul) Chisholm, his son Kurt Cornish, and his grandson Ridley Chisholm, as well as siblings: Elaine (Derek) Knapp, Delbert (Donna) Cornish, Carol (Kurt) Fischer, Lorraine Cornish, and Paul (Myrna) Gardner, his sister-in-law Mary Watson, along with many nieces, nephews and many friends.

A Celebration of Jack's Life was held on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 3:00 PM at the George Dawson Inn, Dawson Creek, B.C. Interment will be held at a later date.

For friends so wishing, donations may be made in memory of Jack to the South Peace Child Development Centre, 9001-10 Street, Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4T1.

Very Respectfully Reynars Funeral Home & Crematorium

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