

Garth Hall lived a life

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As a young man he moved many places. An army brat, Garth Hall spent time in Winnipeg, also heading overseas to Germany.

He boasted an affinity with school and the ability to read beyond his years and a number sense he would never lose. He was a favorite patron of the Dawson Creek Library and was a regular.

While in high school he took to football as an outlet for his size and aggression. He shared his family's passion for music, and rocking out.

"Was that Ozzy?" was overheard at a celebration for him earlier this month. He developed a love of Canadian hockey and football on television. He remains a Leaf fan to this day.

He returned to Dawson Creek before graduation, where he lived for most of the rest of his life.

In 1975 he married Lois LeMaitre. His romance was legendary, including this work written for Lois.

Let these words, I'm about to write,
Be kept to yourself and out of sight.
Close to your heart, both day and night
For some people will talk, not knowing
what's right.

It's not that I'm afraid to let in others,
In time they'll be told, even our mothers.

Two people have met and found each

other,

Soon to be joined as lovers.

Let me call these words a tentative contract,

Between two people just come to contact.

For the next little while we'll have to use words,

To let us tell each other's feelings on life, love and birds,

At peace with my mind, the words do flow,

Wondering if what we have will flower and grow.

Dearest Lois now matter what you do,

Let this line go with you always, I love you.

Hall sold tapes at the local music store Tubby's Tapes and ran Zero News store for many years. After a stint with Shell he joined Lois at the newspaper delivering around the Peace for decades.

He played Santa for years. He enjoyed played Santa and being 'Papa' to his five grandchildren. He turned to social media in the last few years, still looking to engage in discussion, dialogue and socializing. Garth never shied away from telling people what he thought and allowed others to do the same.

He could dish it out and take it, he was always better at dishing it out.

Garth Hall passed away in Prince George, BC, surrounded by loved ones.

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