

REMEMBERING
Anthony Mark Schiller

September 5, 1949 - May 5, 2016



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Mark Schiller after an eight and a half year battle with cancer. He is survived by his loving wife and soulmate Donna (Aldred), mother Norma, sister Betty (Brown), and brother Steven. He was predeceased by his father Anthony. Mark is already terribly missed by his family and friends but we know that he is finally at peace, safe in the arms of Jesus. Mark was born in Vancouver, and grew up in Burnaby. He received his teaching degree from Simon Fraser University while working for CN, first as a coach cleaner and then as a carman. He later received his Master's degree from the University of British Columbia. Mark put his skills to work serving the students in the Interior of BC for thirty years in many different capacities. A lifelong learner, once retiring from public education, Mark earned his TESL certificate through Thompson Rivers University in Kamloops. He taught English language learners there for several terms before his health forced him into permanent retirement. During this time he also volunteered with CancerConnection, supporting others with a cancer diagnosis. Mark loved sports, nature, travel, walking, was an avid reader and never lost his love of trains. He touched many lives and will always be remembered as a positive, kind and gentle soul with a keen sense of humour. A special thanks to all of the wonderful doctors, nurses, technicians and other support staff that we met along Mark's cancer journey. The family is especially grateful for the loving care he received at Cascade Hospice in Chilliwack, where he spent his last few days. Mark had asked that there be no service of any kind for his remains. However, those wishing to honour Mark's passing could consider a donation to Canuck Place Children's Hospice, or other charity of your choice.