



REMEMBERING
Arin Jose Tavares Martins

January 26, 1998 - June 21, 2024



Arin passed away peacefully at the age of 26 after a two-year battle with cancer. He was surrounded by the love of his family and friends. He is predeceased by his Avó Eugenia Tavares and Avô João Tavares; cousin Marco Ganhão; and Tio Carlos Pereira.

Arin is survived by his wife, Megan; mother and father, Paula and Joe Martins; his padrinho, John Tavares; his cousin "Sister" Emily Tavares; his cousins, tias, and tios; and his chosen brothers, Silous Baptiste and Gaganjit Dhaliwal. Arin is also survived by all his friends and the many lives that he touched.

Arin worked as a lifeguard at the Oliver pool from 2015 - 2017. During this time, he formed many friendships and impacted many young lives by teaching swimming lessons and being a supportive and encouraging teacher.

In 2018 Arin joined the wine industry, working with his cousin Emily at Road 13 Winery. Arin brought humour and good energy to his job every single day, making everyone's experience a positive one. In 2019 Arin started a new chapter at Kismet Winery, where he had such a positive impact on his coworkers' lives. He was very loved by his coworkers and always brought a welcoming, genuine attitude to guests visiting the winery. While working at Kismet, Arin was taking steps to become a commercial pilot.

Arin graduated from SOSS in 2016 and enrolled in the Human Kinetics program at Okanagan College. He was a good student and very well-liked by his teachers and professors.

Arin Graduated from Okanagan College in 2019 with a Diploma in Human Kinetics. After obtaining his diploma, he was unsure of the career direction he would follow. His father, Joe, once casually joked about becoming a pilot so Arin could fly him around. So, he did.

In 2019 Arin began taking his Private Pilot License. Arin had completed many solo flights, often taking his friends and family on his flights. Arin got his pilot's license in 2020 and was accumulating his flight hours to become a commercial pilot.

In 2010, Arin went to Portugal with his Mom and Dad. During this trip, he visited family, ate traditional Portuguese food, and went to a Benfica game. Soccer was a big part of his life growing up. As a member of SOYSA, Arin played soccer and was awarded multiple medals for his part on the team.

Arin travelled to California with his Mom, Cousin Emily, and Tia April in 2013 and enjoyed visiting Disneyland and Universal Studios. He particularly enjoyed the "Cars" ride at Disneyland, kickstarting his love for fast cars.

Arin went to Cuba in 2016 with his graduation class, where he embarked on many experiences with his friends. Travelling with his best friends created so many special memories.

In 2020, Arin met Megan and fell in love. Megan has a sarcastic, dry sense of humour that complemented his. Arin and Megan enjoyed snowboarding together, fishing, and cooking. They got married in July 2023.

Arin had a true love for the outdoors that began when he was young. Many weekends in the summer were spent camping with his family while he was growing up. He started fishing as a child and when he got older, he shared his hobby with friends by teaching them the skill. Arin was an avid golfer and enjoyed going to the golf course with the boys. Music was an important part of Arin's life, he was a skilled musician and played piano, saxophone, and guitar. He had a love for fast cars and treasured his Mustang GT. Arin was quite the chef and foodie, forming his own recipes and using ingredients from the garden. He enjoyed preserving food and canning, always sharing with friends and family. He had many hobbies and skills and was always keeping busy.

Arin's compassion, thoughtfulness, and kindness will always be remembered. Arin put others before himself at every opportunity and changed so many lives. Arin leaves behind his loving family, friends, and his two dogs.

Donations accepted for: The pug queen <https://www.thepugqueen.org>

There will be a Funeral Mass held for Arin at 11:00 am, Thursday, June 27, 2024, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Oliver, followed by a graveside committal and reception in the church lower hall.

The Family has asked that attendees to his service please dress in spring colours.

A live stream of Arin's service can be watched by clicking the red Live Service button at the top of this page.

