



REMEMBERING
George Benson Taylor
November 30, 1946 - July 28, 2012



Tribute from Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service Staff

Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service Staff send our condolences to family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Tribute from joyce meek

Relation: mr taylor taught all my children

my thoughts are with your family in your loss, mr taylor was a wonderful person, he was teacher to all my children and foster children, they all loved him and respected him.

Tribute from Norm & Shirley Houle

Relation: Friends

Thinking of you all . You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love Norm & Shirley Houle

xoxo

Tribute from Bill and Edna Barisoff

Relation: Friend

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. We have many wonderful memories of George. George was a huge asset to our three boys education and to the education system as a whole. Our son, Mike, will always have a special place in his heart for "Mr. Taylor".

Tribute from Shiela and Daryl Lange

Relation: friends

I'm sure its such a time of loss and a struggle for acceptance for your family. I pray that the God that I so often rely on, gives you strength, comfort and hope.

Tribute from Lynne Sinclair

Relation: Friend, colleague and union sister

My heartfelt sympathy to Marg and the family. George was a hard-working, caring person. He always had the back of teachers and his CEP sisters and brothers. I was privileged to work with him in Health

and Safety and then as one of the first Field Service staff at the BCTF. A favourite memory is the Alaska cruise with the "cruisers" which included George and Marg. George made the world a better place and he will be sorely missed.

Tribute from Cheryl and Ernie Dumais

Relation: friend and colleague

Heartfelt sympathies to Marg and family. Thinking of you at this time.

Tribute from James Sanyshyn

Relation: fellow teacher and union activist

George, your leadership and advice was so valuable to me. I considered you a mentor and a friend. To all of his family, I thank you for sharing George with us for so many years. We are richer because of you.

Tribute from Steve Rogers

Relation: Work

I am so very sad to hear of George's passing. I knew George as both a strong advocate for teachers and as a gentle, compassionate person. When I first started working for the BCTF as a green lawyer amongst many unfamiliar faces, George always took the time to come and say hello and make sure I felt included. George was kind and patient with me while I learned the ropes and he was such a bright, friendly person to run into on the streets of Vancouver. I will miss George's laugh and I will miss his heart.

My deepest condolences to his family.

Steve Rogers

Tribute from Sylvia Bishop

Relation: BCTF co-worker and CEP 454 brother

George became a great friend and co-worker. I will remember his passion for life and living, his great sense of humour and commitment to union principles.

We are all lucky to have had him in our lives.

Tribute from Annie Zandvliet

Relation: we are neighbours

Hi Marg and Family my condolences to you all he was a good neighbour

Love Annie Zandvliet from across the street

Tribute from Lynette Bateman

Relation: family friend

Dear Marg, Keri, Kali (and sons), Pam and Family. My heart goes out to you at this sad time and I really wish things could have turned out differently. You must be so proud of George, for his accomplishments, enthusiasm for his family and the effort he put into life. I hope you find comfort in each other. I hope the kindness of friends and neighbours surrounds you. I hope you know that the love and friendship you shared with George will surpasses the pain of losing him. I wish I could hug

you all.. I send All My Love, your friend Lynette (Binette).

Tribute from Caroline Malm

Relation: Colleague

George was my esteemed BCTF colleague and mentor- as health and safety advocate and field support staff, his leadership was inspirational. His wonderful sense of humour and knowledgeable approach to issues were a remarkable and unforgettable combination. Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. George will be much missed and well remembered.

Tribute from Bryan and Patti Cryer

Relation: Keri spoke of her dad often.

Our thoughts are with you now and wish for you the peace within to heal. Love to you Keri and to your family, Bryan and Patti

Tribute from Cindy Stewart

Relation: former student

I would like to send sincere condolences to George's family. He taught both myself and my son Phillip and was an amazing teacher, his dedication and caring will be missed by many. He has touched many lives,thank you.

Tribute from Dave and Bonnie Scott

Relation: friend and union brother

Marg and Family

George was a pillar of strength and hugely important to so many of his friends and work colleagues. We will miss him, and will always cherish the influence, the love, the laughter he gave us.

Tribute from Marty and Joan Whiteman

Relation: friend and colleague

Marg and family

So many wonderful memories of George...Hockey, "Gyp Picking" , Skiing this Spring!...a great guy who was always lots of fun. Marty and Joan Whiteman

Tribute from Russell and Christine Work

Relation: Teaching colleague

To Marg, Keri and Kali.

It is with much sadness that we hear of George's passing. Our thoughts are with you. I have many fond memories of George, particularly Thursday night floor hockey, followed by "refreshments" at the legion or welcome inn.

George was a savvy bargainer for SOTA and all teachers in the district owe much to George's dedication to see improvements in our teaching and learning conditions.

George - may you rest in peace knowing your knowlege has been sown in the lives of many others.

Tribute from Marie de la Ronde

Relation: friend

I got to know George as field officer for Burnaby teachers. His sense of humour and ability to put everything into realistic terms endeared me to him. My sincere condolences to George's family.

Tribute from Bob and Brita Park

Relation: teacher colleague

Dear Marg, Pam and family: How sad to hear of your great loss! We fondly remember George for his "gumption" in all he did. He always wanted to make sure people were treated fairly. What comes to mind for us are: George's down-to-earth approach, his infectious laugh, his quick intellect, his love of life and his gift for friendship. This past year, also his courageous approach to his illness. An inspiration to all whose lives crossed paths with his, George will be greatly missed.

Tribute from Rod and Thea Kitt

Relation: Friend

Our sincere condolences to you and your family. He has been such a great friend to us since we arrived in Oliver. His courage throughout this past year has been inspirational.

Tribute from Sarb Lalli

Relation: colleague

My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I first met George when he was the BCTF's WCB Advocate. He was a passionate advocate for injured workers and really inspired me to do more in the area of Health and Safety at work. Thank you, George.

Tribute from John Hodgins

Relation: colleague through union work

I am very sorry to hear of George's passing. I had the pleasure of working frequently with George on arbitrations and other union matters over the three years preceding his retirement from BCTF last year. He was very skilled in his work and great fun to work with. We shared a passion for running and the outdoors so it was always interesting to hear about his latest running or travel adventure. George was a great story teller and he had a wealth of history to draw on to make a point or just for the fun of it. He had more than a normal dose of common sense and great intuition for seeing clearly through complications to the right answer, and then bringing others along to his point of view. He demonstrated how one could be strong and principled while maintaining respect, civility and a sense of fairness. I have no doubt that in his teaching career he was exactly the sort of teacher we all hope our kids will find. I am very sorry you have lost George far too soon.

Tribute from Sylvia Slater

Relation: Friend, colleague, business partner

Wit, wisdom, wanderlust and willingness. George had it all and he made a difference in all that he did. He will be truly missed but his spirit and influence will live on.

Tribute from Pat Hamilton

Relation: work

My sincerest condolences to all of George's family.

George will always be remembered as a kind, caring man who was so well respected by all who knew him. He was always there to assist others with his dedication, patience, understanding and delightful sense of humour. Such a devastating loss. George will be dearly missed by all the staff he worked with in the Field Service Division.

Tribute from Heather Piotz (nee Wilson)

Relation: Parents Friend

My family send their sincere condolences on the loss of your beloved George. Our hearts are with you.

Tribute from Kelly Paddock (Dennill)

Relation: Friend

I am so sorry for your loss. George was always so full of life and devoted so much of his time to help others in his professional life and in his social life. I have many fond memories of good times, laughter and some pretty intense conversations about teaching, leadership and politics. He has more friends than anyone I ever knew because he was such a good kind hearted guy. Love Kelly

Tribute from Ray & Marlene Tolman

Relation: Friend, co-worker

Our most sincere condolences to Marg, Pam and family.

I will always remember George for the great times we had diving, hiking, travelling, and working together. You couldn't find a nicer guy!

He is sadly missed.

Ray & Marlene

Tribute from Richard Hoover

Relation: I worked at the BCTF with George

Despite the knowledge of George's condition, it was still a shock to hear of his early passing. George was a fine man and a highly respected colleague. In his work as in his life he was caring, giving of his time and expertise, and dedicated to teaching and teachers. I am thankful for having had the opportunity to work with him. I will miss his ability to light up a room with his smile, and to always be able to bring a smile to others' faces. My sincere condolences to George's family.

Tribute from Joanna Larson

Relation: colleague

My sincere condolences to George's family. I had the chance to get to know George through work, and I will miss his wisdom, patience, and wit working through seemingly endless grievances. His smile was magnetic, his love of life contagious and his spirit endless.

Tribute from The Svendsens

Relation: Fellow teachers

George was a very caring and unique individual. His smile will live on in our minds forever...

Our deepest sympathy goes out to his Family.

Dwayne and Darlene

Tribute from Angela Lewis

Relation: Tuc el Nuit Staff Member

I was so sad to hear of the passing of George. I have very good memories of being part of the Tuc el Nuit School staff and George being a large part of that. He always was a friendly, warm and caring person. My thoughts are with his family at this difficult time.

Tribute from Beverly Pottinger

Relation: acquaintance of Kali

So sorry for your loss Kali and boys, thinking of you at this difficult time,
Beverly & Daryn

Tribute from Jack and Heather Frank

Relation: Colleague

Dear Marg and family - George had such presence: he was an individual with an infectious smile, a hearty laugh, a twinkle in his eye and yet on a more serious note, was an excellent teacher, a focused listener, a compassionate colleague and a fighter who stood up for what he believed in. He will be missed for all of that and much, much more. Jack and Heather Frank

Tribute from Wayne & Helen LeBlanc

Relation: Worked together years ago.

Dear Marg and family,
We are sorry to hear of George's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We have many fond memories of the good times we shared over the years.
Wayne and Helen

Tribute from Bev and Lyle Taylor

Relation: Brother

Dear Marg and Family,
George did not live an ordinary or boring life. He lived with passion. No matter what he was doing, he did it with great gusto and enthusiasm, and gave it his utmost. He had an astounding thirst for life, for learning and for experiencing life to the fullest. He had a remarkable impact on an amazing number of people throughout his life. We will miss him so much! He may have been a brother, but he was mostly a great friend, and we shall view the past with love and appreciation for who and what he was.
Much Love,
Bev and Lyle

Tribute from Pam and Larrie Taylor

Relation: brother

Marg/Keri/Kali/Marshall/Ethan
Pam and I always thought George was special - of course we were biased because he was our

brother. However, reading these many tributes truly confirms our feelings.

Marg/Keri/Kali/Marshall/Ethan

as you grieve I am sure your pain is eased by knowing how much he contributed to each of your lives and to the lives of many others. We will always remember his impish laugh, the twinkle in his eyes, his sense of humour, his passion for everything in his life. We will miss him dearly - we will miss the hockey tournaments - we will miss our political discussions - we will miss his love and commitment to his family but we will always be honoured to have had him as a brother and a very dear friend.

Tribute from Brad, Angela, and Family

Relation: Nephew

Marg, Keri, Kali, and family

We will remember George's tremendous enthusiasm and passion for life. He has lived an extraordinary life and touched a lot of people over the years. His dedication to family, community, and the betterment of society is truly inspiring. His passing is a great loss for all of us. Our hearts go out to your family at this difficult time.

Tribute from peter and Joan Johnson

Relation: Uncle and aunt

Dear Marg Keri Kali and Pam

Your gathering will be a day of memories including good times sad times and everyday memories. Tex and I are sad that we will not have the opportunity to have George around in the retirement years where there is time for longer family get together,s. We are thankfull though to have had as a relative such a strong, loving, and good man. His whole life it seems to us and all the people he encountered was pure gift from God. Our families love will stay strong always.

Tribute from julia black

Relation: cousin

Dear Marg, Pam, Keri, & Kali,

My thoughts are with all of you! My memories of George will always be of his wonderful smile and lively personality. I am thankful for having the belief that i will see George again some day.

