



REMEMBERING John Caswell

June 2, 1952 - January 16, 2024



John Edward Caswell passed away unexpectedly on January 16, 2024. He leaves behind daughter Andrea (Murray Fichten) and son Michael as well as his four grandchildren, Madelyn and Charlotte Fichten, and Avery and Arleigh Caswell. He was predeceased by his parents, John and Anne Caswell, and his sisters Joanne (Jones), Mary (Carrell) and brother Jim, and is survived by his eldest brother, Bill.

John was born and raised in Calgary, Ab and fondly remembered his time growing up in Altadore, playing kick the can, touch football and slalom skiing at Sylvan Lake in the summers. He attended Central Memorial High School where he excelled in Football and Basketball. He carried his passion for sports into adulthood, playing Calgary Men's A Fastball and Slowpitch himself, and volunteering countless hours to fundraise, manage, or coach his kid's various basketball, football and fastball teams throughout their youth.

John married his high school sweetheart, Diane (Steffler), in 1973 and delighted in raising his family in the Willow Park Community of SE Calgary. He enjoyed coaching his kids, card games with friends, downhill skiing, long drives with good music and camping—even earning a reputation among friends and family for building the biggest (and slightly dangerous) "John fires".

John was kind and generous to a fault and was always willing to volunteer his time or labour to help anyone in need or fight for the underdog. He was very proud of his children and did his best to support and cheer them on with all their sporting events, whether that meant working bingos every weekend, or driving for 29 hours straight to be able to see his son play football in New Mexico, he did it unflinchingly.

John started his career in logistics, owning and operating JD Messenger and later

The Expeditors, and working for various other courier companies in Calgary. He moved to the Okanagan in 2004 for a new start. While making a home for himself in Oliver, BC he worked as a handyman, landscaper, pool maintenance specialist and property manager. After a short time in Fort MacMurray driving a taxi, John returned to the Okanagan and spent his retirement living in Oliver, BC.

We will not be hosting a Memorial at this time for John; however, in lieu of flowers, we ask you to honor John's memory by gathering with friends for a good old fashioned bonfire "JC Style" to share your favourite moments and memories.

