

REMEMBERING Raymond Emile Carriere

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Tribute from Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium Ltd.

The Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from Helen Wollf

Relation: Family friend and former student

There are too many wonderful and joyful memories of times spent with Mr. Carriere to list them all, whether dinners around the table where my French was definitely not up to par, or sticky notes on his desk in my grade 7 classroom. I am heartbroken for your family's loss, and I will always remember his kindness, easy smile and gentle laugh. With all my love to each of you.

Tribute from Dwayne and Darlene Svendsen

Relation: Teaching colleague.

It saddened us to hear of Ray's recent passing! Deepest Sympathy to Ann and the rest of Ray's Family...he was a great guy and will be missed by all who knew him!

Tribute from Merle Holloway/Hossini

Relation: Have known the family for more than 40 years

Ann, and family, I am so sorry to hear about Ray. I send my condolences to each of you.

Tribute from Christine Gevatkoff

Relation: former student

Mr. Carriere was my French teacher. I have fond memories of our Quebec Exchange trip in 1982. May he rest in peace.

Tribute from Brenda (Kuzyk) Arychuk

Relation: Student

What a wonderful man, and teacher. Monsieur Carriere was my favourite teacher throughout highschool. He had such an impact in my life, and left me with me a continued desire to keep learning languages. I will always think of him as a teacher who truly made a difference in his students' lives. God bless.

Tribute from Brad Lucas

Relation: a friend of thirty years

Ray was a kind soul, and a true gentleman. It has been a privilege to count him as a friend. Never a harsh word in thirty years, plus many memories of interesting conversation, and shared meals. Condolences to Ann, and family; I know the loss is deeply felt.

Tribute from Sharon Pohl

Relation: He was my daughter's teacher

I am sorry to hear of Mr Carriere's passing. He was our daughter, Chelsea's teacher at Oliver Elementary, and always so kind and such a good teacher, very interested in her progress. May you find comfort in your faith, and your memories of a very good man. God bless.

Tribute from Elaine and Graham Jenkinson

Relation: Friends and fellow tennis players

Ray Carriere was more than a friend; he was a warm beacon of camaraderie and kindness. When Elaine and I arrived in the town of Oliver, we first encountered Ray in the springtime, working hard in his orchard, just a couple of blocks from our new home. He extended a heartfelt welcome which made us feel at home in our new home. Our friendship blossomed over shared passions: tennis matches on sun-drenched Oliver courts and sometimes bike rides with our men's riding group.

We learned of Ray's background as an elementary and high school teacher and felt that his students were very lucky to have a dedicated instructor such as Ray. His enthusiasm for life was contagious. His warm greetings and engaging conversations made every encounter memorable. Ray had a knack for weaving captivating tales, like his solo bike trip down Fairview Road hill, from Willowbrook Road to the high school, on a bicycle that was totally out of control! It's the story of a journey which is etched in our memories.

Yet, it was one tennis club year-end dinner that truly showcased Ann and Ray's magic. Held at their former home overlooking Tuc-el-Nuit lake, Ray and Ann orchestrated an enchanting evening for tennis club members. The air buzzed with laughter, stories, and shared joy as they hosted a dinner party that left an indelible mark on our hearts.

Ray Carriere, your legacy lives on—a testament to friendship, adventure, and the magic of gathering.

Tribute from Marilyn & Deoff Owen

Relation: Friends

Sending heartfelt condolences to Ann & family. Having met & becoming friends in Mesa AZ with Ann & Ray he will be remembered fondly as a kind & gentle person who treated friends with kindness. RIP Ray you will be missed by many.

Tribute from Jerome and Sandra Albo

Relation: we taught together

Dear Ann and family We were saddened to learn of Rays passing. When he came to Osoyoos Elementary, we got to see and appreciate his care and involvement with kids. He had a gentleness and kindness that his students and fellow teachers appreciated. He was a positive force on our staff and set a high example for all. May you find solace in a life well lived. We will miss him but remember all that he was and all that he did. Jerry and Sandra Albo

Tribute from Audrey Silbernagel

Relation: He was my teacher.

M. Carriere was my French teacher at SOSS from 1977 to 1981. He was very creative and had us learn in different ways including performing skits speaking French. I was fortunate to go on a Quebec exchange trip in grade 11. Our "twins" visited us from Quebec in the fall, and we travelled to Pont Rouge, St. Raymond, Quebec city and Montreal in April. Later our class was even hosted at the Carriere home for a gourmet French meal - merci, Mme. Carriere. My condolences to his family and friends.

Tribute from Nieves & Dreg Windley-Smith

Relation: Colleague, tennis and pickleball friend

Our deepest condolences to the Carrier Family. Ray was a colleague at Oliver Elementary School from a few years ago. His Grade 5 class was an awesome class to work in. There was never a dull moment in his classroom, even with the French subject that he taught, I couldn't understand a word, but he played French lively songs which made it easier for students to learn. He was an awesome teacher to work with. Not only because he was an excellent teacher, but his kindness, his positive outlook of life and his willingness to help everyone in need, always had a great smile even when students are misbehaving badly.

Ray was also an amazing tennis and pickleball friend. His love for the sports shows when Ray and Ann hosted dinner for the whole tennis club members. And giving all the members a red Canada shirt for everyone to wear for one of our Canada Day Fun Day tennis.

Every time I see Ray wether at school, tennis and pickleball courts, he like to show off his few Tagalog words he learnt while in Philippines by greeting me Tagalog with a beautiful kind smile. We will miss you terribly Ray. Rest in Peace and thank you for being such and incredible person.

Tribute from Jenny Dekteroff

Relation: Student

Mr Carriere was my Grade 7 teacher at Osoyoos Elementary School in 1991/92. I always remember that he was always fair with the students in the classroom. He always had jokes that were funny, and some that he just thought were funny - you know, the dad jokes. Thank you, Mr Carriere for all your years of teaching. I know you made an impression on many students. My deepest condolences to Ann, and the rest of the family.

Tribute from Cliff and Sue Gay

Relation: friends

Ann, our deepest sympathies to you, Marc, Damien, and Michaela. Ray's easy smile, deep faith, friendship, and participation in the community will be much missed.

Tribute from Gayle Cornish

Relation: Through teaching. Ray was a colleague and taught our daughter.

We send our sincere condolences to you Ann and family. George and I were saddened to learn of Rays passing. He taught our daughter in grade 7 and I helped on a field trip to Grand Coulee Dam. I remember him as kind, good humoured, warm and encouraging!

I recall him explaining the "Saturday box!" That still makes me smile when I think of it! Blessings to you all and may he rest in peace.

Tribute from Ross and Annette Anderstrom

Relation: Friends from Wenatchee

Dear Ann and family,

Annette, and I were deeply saddened to hear of Ray's passing. We just found out today from a friend, who lives in Oliver. You, and Ray were the first people we met in Canada, when we stayed at Two Loons on the Lake many years ago. Ray, was always a joy to hang out with, usually around the grill before dinner, as well as the many morning coffee chats, we had while visiting. I know you, and we will miss him in this short season called life, but we are looking forward to being neighbors in Heaven, and would love to catch up over a glass of the house red. Praying God's peace will surround you, and your family.

