

Mr. Darryl Wayne McLeod

July 23, 1941 - February 7, 2022

Our dear husband, brother, father, grandfather, stepfather, step grandfather and friend “went to his reward” on February 7, 2022. Darryl was born in Lethbridge July 23, 1941 to Florence and Murdoch McLeod. He grew up on the family farm near Barons and attended Barr Hill School. He went on to attend SAIT, U of A, U of C, and U of L and taught school in various cities around Alberta for 38 years. Most of his teaching years were spent counselling and teaching children with learning difficulties.

He will be mourned by his wife of 34 years Shirley Crawford, his brother Ron (Linda), his dear daughters Kari (Chris) and Carmen, his beloved granddaughters Hayden McLeod, Tamsen McKerley, Roslyn McKerley, Jessamine McKerley, and Skye McKerley, Shirley’s children David Gregory Crawford (Heather and their children Maggie, Finn and Will), Leanne Frehlich (Craig and their children Heidi and Dieter), Diane Britton (Darrin and their children Elizabeth and Mataya), and Jason Crawford (and his son Jordan Middleton), and his furry friend Barry will miss him dearly.

Darryl was an avid learner, continuous researcher (of movies, recipes, music, and anything else anyone mentioned), insatiable reader (he read three books the week before his death), ambitious traveler, and enthusiastic gardener. He was a master of trivia, had a wry sense of humor, keen wit, and boundless love of family.

He and Shirley loved to travel and their trips included Europe, the Mediterranean, Russia, the United States, China, Singapore, and several trips to the Philippines. Darryl and Shirley were active members of the United Church of Canada in every city and town in which they lived. Before COVID you could count on them to set up coffee on many Sunday mornings at the church in High River.

Darryl appreciated the warm and loving space created by his wife Shirley and her children, particularly when his own daughters were not able to join him for special events like birthdays and holidays. One of Darryl's delights was spending time with his grandchildren either in person or by phone in High River, Lethbridge, Toronto, Okotoks, Edmonton, Connecticut, or Virginia. You always felt welcome when you were with him. He was a wonderful storyteller and loved to laugh. His Virginia-based grandchildren will miss games of "Sorry!", his tales of his daughters as children, and his probing questions about what they're learning at school.

He was especially passionate about raising funds for solar panels for the High River United Church. In lieu of flowers please make your donation to the High River United Church by e-transfer to hruc.finance@gmail.com.

A Family Memorial Service for Darryl will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022 at 11:00AM. For those unable to attend, a livestream will be available on Darryl's Tribute page at www.lylereeves.com.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

Previous Events

Live Stream

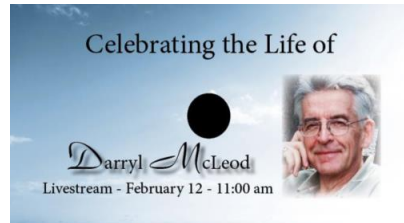
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Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Darryl Wayne McLeod*



Lyle Reeves Funerals - February 09, 2022 at 12:44 PM

MJ

We were so sorry to hear of Darryl's passing, Shirley. His wit and humour shone through when we saw him at the McLeod family reunions. He had a remarkable life and will surely be missed. Our condolences to you and the family.

*Mary Ann and Michael Jeffries
Moncton NB*

Mary Ann Jeffries - February 11, 2022 at 03:54 PM

WE

*I am so sorry to hear Darryl has passed. He was such a kind and funny man. He will be missed.
Love to you all ❤️*

WENDY - February 12, 2022 at 01:36 PM

CG

How can the words Quiet, Gentle and Inquisitive resonate so loudly when I think about Darryl? I admired his ability to participate without demanding attention, his interest in the world around him and his kindness. I will miss this Gentleman!

Celine Gould

Celine Gould - February 12, 2022 at 02:10 PM

CM

*My deepest condolences to Shirley and all of the family.
What a beautiful service and tribute to Darryl.*

Colleen MacKenzie - February 12, 2022 at 02:13 PM

GR

We are so lucky to have known him. Our deepest condolences.

Gordon Rudy - February 12, 2022 at 02:39 PM

LF

*In so many ways, Darryl lived this truth- in everyday living, be kind!
What a lovely celebration of Darryl's life. We will miss him, Mom.*

LEANNE FREHLICH - February 12, 2022 at 04:45 PM

VM

*We are very sorry to hear about the passing of our cousin, Darryl
and our good thoughts are with the family at this sad time.*

Vern and Mag Mawhinney

Vern and Mag Mawhinney - February 12, 2022 at 10:09 PM

GC

“ *Saddened to hear of Darryl's passing. We went to school and
graduated from Barrhill together.*

*Geraldine Cochrane (Brecka)
Campbell River, BC*

Geraldine Cochrane(Brecka) - February 19, 2022 at 01:07 PM

MH

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Darryl's passing. Special prayers for your
family.*

Marie Hoffmann - February 18, 2022 at 09:54 PM

BH

“ Cheryl and I were saddened to hear of Darryl's passing. Shirley, he was a quiet constant in your life and we know that you will miss him dearly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and all of your family.

Bill Holmes - February 14, 2022 at 10:33 PM

SS

“ Dearest Shirley and family:
We were sadden to hear to Darryl's passing. His humour and wit were wonderful and I will miss his stories. We appreciated that we were able to attend his service by video today and enjoyed the comments and photographs.
Our sincere condolences to you and all the family.
Scott and Sandra

Sandra Sanderson - February 12, 2022 at 07:56 PM

DD

“ Darryl was one of the nicest, kindest, and patient humans I have ever encountered. I remember one of our first times together our 2 year old had dumped the toothpicks out of the container. He sat with her patiently while she put them all back in the jar through those tiny holes encouraging her the whole time. It was great. He was great. And will be missed. My thoughts are with Aunty Shirley and the family.

Darla Driscoll - February 11, 2022 at 10:51 AM

MD

“ *Mary-Ann Doyle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Darryl Wayne McLeod*



Mary-Ann Doyle - February 10, 2022 at 12:28 PM

RB

“ *My thoughts are with you Shirley and family. Darryl was an very knowledgeable man and I enjoyed being on the receiving end of that knowledge while we sorted books for the church garage sale.*

Rosemary Brocklebank - February 10, 2022 at 12:01 PM

BE

“ *Dear Shirley and Kari,
We send our condolences to you and your families on the loss of your husband and father. Shirley, my mother was always so pleased to see you and Darryl on your many visits to her in Claresholm.
Our thoughts are with you at this time of loss.
Beverley & Lee*

Beverley - February 10, 2022 at 03:19 AM

JN

“ *So very sorry for your loss Shirley. I truly appreciate and often think about both you and Daryl when we met at Tom Baker and together you stayed to hear Colleen ring the bell. Thank you for that very kind memory and I wish you the best of memories in the days ahead.*

Judy Nielsen - February 10, 2022 at 12:05 AM

AZ

“ *My thoughts are with you Shirley and family.
Peace be with you all. Hugs*



Ann Holmes Zirk - February 09, 2022 at 10:16 PM

LT

“ *Dear Shirley
I am so sorry to hear of Darryl's passing.
My sincerest condolences to you and your family at this difficult
time.
Linda Tierney*

Linda Tierney - February 09, 2022 at 07:28 PM

KA

“ *Shirley, so sorry to here about Darrel. We had
great chats. He was a kind soul.. hugs, kathy.*



kathy - February 09, 2022 at 04:05 PM



“ *Dearest Shirley, Jordan, Jay and family,
It broke our hearts today to find out that Darryl
has passed. He was a real gentleman,
inquisitive, thoughtful and so present when
visiting. We are keeping each of you in our
hearts and send you blessings of healing. Big hugs and lots of love,
Annie and Herb*



Annie Froese - February 09, 2022 at 12:56 PM

TP

“ Although we hadn't seen nor spoke with Darryl for some time, he was always kind and thoughtful with interesting insights to be shared when we did meet up. Thinking of you Shirley in this “transitional” time of life .

Ted and Patti Thorne

Ted and Patti - February 09, 2022 at 06:30 AM

ES

“ Thinking of you, Shirley, Jordan and family with very fond memories of Darryl. Darryl had a wonderful sense of humour, and so very kind and thoughtful. We will all miss him!

Esther and Gary Sawatzky - February 08, 2022 at 08:53 PM

AP

“ We are deeply saddened to hear of Darryl McLeod's passing. Much love to you Shirley, Jordan, friends and family.

AParadun - February 08, 2022 at 06:32 PM

CJ

“ Dear Shirley and family. My sincere condolences on Darryl's death, such a gentle soul. Blessings to you all at this difficult time.

Connie Lorraine Jewell - February 08, 2022 at 05:28 PM