



## Reverend Edgar Craig

September 14, 1923 - March 10, 2016

Reverend Edgar took his final flight home to heaven on the morning of March 10, 2016. He left High River at 7:28 a.m. and arrived at the Celestial Airport in “the twinkling of an eye”. Previous stopovers were made at Dilke and Melfort, Saskatchewan where he farmed until he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in World War II. Upon returning he attended the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon Department of Agriculture) and then the Canadian Nazarene College in Red Deer, AB. As a Pastor he served parishes in Wapella, Saskatchewan, Rocky Mountain House, High Prairie, Lacombe, High River, AB. Pastor Edgar was very proud of his Padre Ministry with the Royal Canadian Legion in High River which he served for 15 years ending in 2012.

Those waving farewell are his loving wife Evelyn; daughters Barbara (Anthony) Manswell and Cynthia (Bruce) Wergeland; sons Anthony (Arlas) Craig and Darcy Craig; grandchildren Kavanah, Jayedon, Jerrick, Kenrick, Ali, Grace, Zach, Ben, Keiana, Kaia and Keelyn.

A Funeral Service celebrating his flight was held on Tuesday, March 22nd at the First Church of the Nazarene, Calgary (65 Richard Way SW). A Reception will be held at the High River Baptist Church at 4:00 p.m. Those that attended the service in Calgary as well as those that were not able, are welcome to attend.

To send condolences and view Edgar's Tribute Page please visit [www.lylereeves.com](http://www.lylereeves.com) . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (403.652.4242).

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 22. 1:30 PM (MT)

First Church of the Nazarene  
65 Richard Way SW  
Calgary, AB T3E 7M8 (CA)

## Graveside Service

MAR 22. 3:30 PM (MT)

Highwood Cemetery  
High River, AB (CA)

## Viewing

MAR 22. 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM (MT)

First Church of the Nazarene  
65 Richard Way SW  
Calgary, AB T3E 7M8 (CA)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig*



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**Lyle Reeves Funerals** - April 04, 2016 at 05:40 PM



“ *To Evelyn and Family  
I am sorry to hear about Edgar. I am thinking and praying for you.  
Wanda Louis*

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**Wanda Louis** - March 22, 2016 at 04:47 PM



“ *To each of his loved ones,  
My heart is sad at our loss but rejoicing in his victory run. Edgar was  
a wonderful example of a godly man. I am so blessed to of known  
him. May each of you find peace in your loss knowing that you will  
meet again and all the pain and sorrow will be missing.  
May each of you receive the comfort of knowing how much you are  
loved.  
God bless,  
Lorraine Seale*

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**Lorraine Seale** - March 21, 2016 at 08:53 PM

BP

“ I am so sorry we won't be able to attend the memorial service, but am so thankful for the peace and comfort that is ours in time of grief and sorrow. I am glad you are surrounded by those who love you most at this time and pray for comfort in sharing wonderful memories and faith. I rejoice knowing Edgar is with our loving Lord and free of pain and the struggles of this life, while recognizing there is a great void that no one else can fill. Barb and Neil.

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**Barbara Parse** - March 20, 2016 at 10:30 PM

DN

“ Evelyn and family,  
  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Sincerest Sympathies.  
  
Lyle and Doreen Needham

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**Doreen Needham** - March 19, 2016 at 10:21 PM

EB

“ Hi Evelyn ! So sorry that your husband ( Edgar) has pass away. He has lived a good long Life and touched so many people. He will be missed by many and especially at family camp. Eugene and I are still in California. We plan to go home at the end of March. We hope the snow is all of the roadby then. We will be praying and thinking of you and your family. Say hi to Barb for me.  
  
Blessing and Love Glenna &Eugene

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**E&G Barton** - March 18, 2016 at 09:00 PM

JP

“ I'd like to send my sincere condolences to Evelyn & her family. He was a devoted man of God for sure. I know you'll all miss him terribly but you'll see him again. Thoughts & prayers are with all of you. Take care. Blessings Joy

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**Joy Pfeifer** - March 18, 2016 at 02:07 PM

LP

“ Evelyn, Denny and I want to assure you of our thoughts and prayers for you and your family at this time of bereavement. Our memories of Edgar go back to CNC Red Deer days and have continued through your years of ministry. Know that the God of all grace is sustaining, comforting and giving you the assurance of His peace. May God's blessing be your portion as you celebrate Edgar's life of devotion to his family and his God.

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**Larry Patterson** - March 15, 2016 at 09:49 PM

BH

“ We are thinking of you and your whole family, Evelyn, at this time of bereavement. Our memories of Edgar include seeing him as a dedicated man of God, as a proud father and grandfather, as a caring Padre, and as a man enjoying the blessings of nature and neighbours as he cycled around our community. May he be rewarded with total peace.

*Bill & Dorothy Holmes*

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**Bill & Dorothy Holmes** - March 15, 2016 at 01:21 PM

MC

“ *Mary Lou And Terry Carleton lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig*



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**Mary Lou and Terry Carleton** - March 15, 2016 at 10:12 AM

DG

“ *Evelyn, our prayers, condolences and hugs to you and your family!*  
*John & Debby Gross*

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**Debby Gross** - March 15, 2016 at 08:35 AM

CH

“ *Evelyn, thinking of you during this difficult time.*  
*- Christina Henderson*

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**Christina Henderson** - March 15, 2016 at 08:27 AM

AW

“ *I first met Edgar in the "Prayer Tent" at Family Camp 1982. At that time there was no Prayer Chapel. I signed up for a particular time and when I got there, Edgar was there also. I am sure I learned a lot about prayer that evening (or morning) from Edgar. What a wonderful and godly patriarch of a wonderful family.*  
*Gail & Arnie Wyllie*

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**Arnie Wyllie** - March 14, 2016 at 12:25 PM

CN

“ We were so sorry to hear of Edgar's passing. He was always a blessing & we so much appreciated yours & his visit when Claude was laid up. He will not be forgotten. Our prayers & thoughts are with you.

*Claude & Eileen Newsham*

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**Claude & Eileen Newsham** - March 14, 2016 at 12:00 PM

LS

“ Our hearts may be sad, yet there is rejoicing knowing that Edgar is home with Jesus. He lived, loved and pastored to see others prepared for that destination. Now he has gone on before us. One day...one day we will stand with Edgar celebrating and worshiping before the Father. Until then may God's presence and comfort be with you all.

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**Larry D. Spicer** - March 14, 2016 at 11:38 AM

RG

“ A wonderful example of a man faithful to God. "God reward him". Unfortunately my work with CBS takes me to Vancouver the week of March 21 so I will miss the celebration of life for Edgar. Please be assured of my prayers Evelyn for you and your family.

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**Reg Graves** - March 14, 2016 at 10:30 AM

DV

“ Dana L Kemery Valgardson lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig



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**Dana L Kemery Valgardson** - March 13, 2016 at 10:07 PM

DF

“ Evelyn you and Edgar flew many miles together!  
He gave his life to ministry and now will be ministered to in his new home.  
Our thoughts with you and yours.  
Ken and I will still be away on March 22.  
For sure it will be a glorious celebration.

*Ken and Darlene Fach*

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**Darlene Fach** - March 13, 2016 at 06:09 PM



JB

“ Evelyn, my condolences to you and your family.

*Jozina and Daniel Besuijen*

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**Jozina Besuijen** - March 13, 2016 at 04:58 PM

KB

“ Kelly Baskin lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig



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**Kelly Baskin** - March 13, 2016 at 04:42 PM

PR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Evelyn, and the rest of the family. You both made a real mark on our lives - in your faithful and generous involvement in Camp, and in the short time we lived in Calgary, in your modelling of a faithful, extra/ordinary Christian life.

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**Peter and Patricia Rae** - March 13, 2016 at 04:05 PM

CS

“ Evelyn and family,  
The Craig's are a special family to Wayne & I and you're all in our thought and prayers with the passing of Edgar. What a blessed assurance to know we will see him again. There's no doubt that he heard those words "Well done good & faithful servant" as he stood before the Lord.  
Lots of love,  
Wayne & Cheryl Smele

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**Cheryl Smele** - March 13, 2016 at 10:59 AM

JA

“ Evelyn and family , so sorry to hear of your great loss. Edgar was sure a man of God. We will always remember his cheerful smile and always being upbeat. Our prayers are with you and your family at this time. Jerry and Ella Austin



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**Jerry and Ella Austin** - March 13, 2016 at 08:13 AM

GG

“ Remembering you and your family in my prayers, Evelyn

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**Gwen Grobe** - March 12, 2016 at 10:45 PM

DG

May the Lord richly bless you and bring you healing and peace at the loss of this wonderful man. I thank him that early in my conversion and entry into music ministry, Pastor Craig invited me to come and sing in the Wapella church which he was pastoring at that time. He has been a wonderful encourager and supporter of ministry in our church over the many years of his ministry.  
God Bless and enrich you all. Danny and Bonnie Gales.

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**Danny Gales** - March 12, 2016 at 11:09 PM

GR

“ Family Camp will never be the same. I always enjoyed chatting with Edgar and Evelyn; both such an inspiration to me for many years. With that broad smile, he was able to lift the spirits of so many people. Sending my love and condolences to you, Evelyn, and all your wonderful family. Praying that the God who has welcomed Edgar into His Presence will give strength to each of you as you adjust to your loss and comfort you as you remember the precious years you shared together.

*In Jesus' love,  
Glenys Rott*

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**Glenys Rott** - March 12, 2016 at 08:20 PM

DL

*Ed has won the greatest victory of all. To go and sit in the presence of Jesus personally. Something every true believer longs to do! God Bless you all! His presence is with you. Love you!*

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**Delores Lange** - March 15, 2016 at 08:54 AM

MW

“ *Such a remarkable man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Diane and Mike Williamson*

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**Mike Williamson** - March 12, 2016 at 04:47 PM

Jl

“ *We were so sorry to hear about Edgar's passing. We appreciated his sweet smile and encouragement to us as laymen in ministry. Our prayers are with your family during this time. Blessings, John and Maxine Ingalls Hecla Island, Manitoba*

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**John and Maxine Ingalls** - March 12, 2016 at 04:17 PM

JA

“ *Jacquie. & Jim Anderson lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig*



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**Jacquie. & Jim Anderson** - March 12, 2016 at 03:39 PM

SH

“ *We were so saddened to hear of Edgar's passing. He was a great man of faith who's love for The Lord was evident in every aspect of his life. We are praying for all the family as you wait for the day that you can see him again on heaven's shore.*

*All our love,*

*Shannon and Jeff Howard*

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**shannon** - March 12, 2016 at 02:06 PM

LL

“ *A beautiful man and a beautiful family ! Deepest condolences*

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**linda linnington-airhart** - March 12, 2016 at 01:17 PM

RG

“ *Our deepest sympathy to your family. Edgar was a true man of God and will be missed by all.*

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**Ron & Gaileen Gillies** - March 12, 2016 at 10:45 AM

JN

“ *Our deepest condolence to you Evelyn and your family.*

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**Judy and Harvie Nielsen** - March 12, 2016 at 08:12 AM

AB

“ Andrew And Nicole Barker lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig



Andrew and Nicole Barker - March 12, 2016 at 06:12 AM

BH

“ Brenda Haring lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig



Brenda Haring - March 12, 2016 at 01:34 AM

PJ

“ Dear Evelyn, Barbara, Cynthia, Anthony and Darcy, MarElla and Rich and your families ~ Even though we know that your dear husband, dad, grandpa, brother-in-law and uncle is Home Free with Jesus, free from pain and free from the cares of this world, it is very hard to say goodbye to someone who meant so much. They don't come any better than Edgar Craig; a godly, precious man and loving, dedicated pastor. It was our privilege to know him and serve with him on the Canada West District during the 80s. So glad we got to see him, albeit briefly, amidst the crowd at the Oct. 2015 CNC homecoming, smiling as always. We wish we could have visited longer. May God bless and comfort all of you as you walk through these tough days of sadness and loss. One of your Mom's/ Grandma Baptiste's favourite verses as you know, was: "The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Deut. 33: 27a.

We send our love and prayers. ~ Ross & Bev Johnston, Surrey, BC

Pastor Ross & Bev Johnston - March 12, 2016 at 12:51 AM

DE

“ *Dianne Estey lit a candle in memory of Reverend Edgar Craig*



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**Dianne Estey** - March 11, 2016 at 11:54 PM

LS

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Rev. Craig's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you...*

*Linda Schafer*

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**Linda Schafer** - March 11, 2016 at 11:45 PM



Anthony  
Craig

*Were you Anthony's grade 7 teacher?*

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**Anthony Craig** - March 13, 2016 at 10:48 PM

LS

*I taught Grade 7 classes and was the librarian for the first 6 or 7 years at Joe Clark before teaching Grade 6 and then Grade 4.*

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**Linda Schafer** - March 16, 2016 at 11:13 AM



Anthony  
Craig

“Dad, i'm going to really miss you, but I'm glad you leave a legacy that my family can look up to! You're more than a father and a friend to me. You showed me humility, patience and kindness. I would not be the man I am today if it wasn't for your influence. I know I won't be able to cook you any hamburgers or steaks on the barbecue, or watch you sleeping on my couch because you needed to rest, but you praying for my family when you're ready to go home is the one thing that my family will never forget.

I am happy that you're in heaven now and there's no more pain. we're rejoicing here on earth because that's what you worked your whole life towards. The influence that you shared with me, how to be a godly man is how I want to live. Hopefully I can be 1/2 the man you were. I love you so much dad! Go in peace, and know I see you soon xo

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**Anthony Craig** - March 11, 2016 at 11:32 PM



“Mrs. Craig, Barb, Cynthia, Anthony and Darcy and all your families - I was saddened to hear of Rev. Craig's passing yesterday. His faithfulness to God, church and family are a legacy to you all. My prayers are with you in these days.

*Evangeline (Bull) Keeley*

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**Evangeline Keeley** - March 11, 2016 at 11:17 PM

CB

“Sincere condolences, to you, Evelyn, and the whole family. "To be absent from the body is to be present to the Lord." One of the Lord's stalwarts has gone home! He will be greatly missed by so many who knew and loved him! ~ Chaplain Virginia

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**Chaplain Virginia Battiste** - March 11, 2016 at 09:31 PM

DD

“ Evelyn, I am so sorry to hear of Edgar's passing. You I'll have many good memories. Take care of yourself. Donna Downey

Donna Downey - March 11, 2016 at 05:13 PM

BP

“ Evelyn So sorry to hear of Edgar passing. Deepest Condolences to you and your family. What a great man of faith he was.



Barb Pickering - March 11, 2016 at 02:51 PM

KC

“ Dear Evelyn - deepest condolences on Edgar's passing. My prayers are with you during this time of goodbyes .  
Karen Crawford



karen Crawford - March 11, 2016 at 02:41 PM

LB

Many Blessings to the Craig family. I shall miss this very dear man of God.

Larry Berg - March 12, 2016 at 10:55 PM

WB

Edgar leaves a great legacy and will be missed. My sympathy to you Evelyn and to Barbara, Cynthia, Anthony and families and to Darcy.  
Willa Byggdin

Willa Byggdin - March 12, 2016 at 11:05 PM

GC

*Evelyn, we're so sad to hear of Edgars' passing. I'm glad I saw you both in Dec. Edgar lead by example: he was so proud to serve the Lord! I will forever be grateful for his influence. Ev, you've been a wonderful example to us of how a wife loves, supports, & lifts up her husband & family. I am forever in your debt. Love Lynda & George Cauchy, Victoria, B. C.*

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**George & Lynda Cauchy** - March 13, 2016 at 04:05 AM

EM

*To Evelyn and family I send my deepest sympathy and love.*

*what a great man Edgar was, always thinking about others with a smile on his face. Looking forward to attending the service for Edgar.*

*Emily Mcleod*

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**Emily McLeod** - March 13, 2016 at 05:19 PM

VR

*I'm sad to learn of the passing of such a fine extended family member. My mother, Muriel Horne Byers, (1915-2013) was the daughter of Arthur Horne, so she was Edgar's first cousin on his mother, Sophie's side of the family. I recall meeting Edgar and Evelyn when they visited our family long ago in Vancouver WA. Thank you for making contact to send along this news. Was Edgar the last survivor of his siblings? My mother was raised by her Aunts, Ethel ("Bubby") Horne and Charlotte ("Neany") and Uncle George Curtis in Regina after her mother, Lulu, died young of breast cancer, leaving 5 children. I live in the Portland OR area and would like to maintain contact with the family. My sincere sympathy on the loss of a Godly man. Vivian Byers Robertson, email: jimandviv@gmail.com*

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**Vivian Byers Robertson** - March 13, 2016 at 06:44 PM

KB

*Sincere sympathy to Evelyn and family. Always enjoyed his jokes and opening prayers at the Legion. God Bless.*

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**Ken Branden** - March 14, 2016 at 10:50 PM

BG

*Evelyn, Cynthia, Barb, Anthony and Darcy: May our Lord grant you the comfort in the same measure as Edgar did for others throughout the years. It was an extreme pleasure fellowshipping with you these past two District Assemblies at Ambrose. I need not look to far to see the impact of your ministry here at the High Prairie Church of the Nazarene as there are many reminders of your faithfulness to God's call. The investment in the lives of many individuals and of course an old church sign or two in the garage advertising the youth meetings. Thank you for allowing us the privilege of sharing God's journey with you. Evelyn, you are welcome to play catch with Jeshuah anytime and the entire family is welcome to come for a visit when you are in the area. Blessings:)*  
*Brian, Kimberley, Jeshuah and Judeah Gilroy*

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**Brian Gilroy** - March 16, 2016 at 12:35 AM

ED

*Dear Evelyn and family, we were so sorry to hear that Rev. Edgar Craig is leaving to meet his Master, the Lord Jesus Christ. With confidence we know that he is welcome as a faithful servant of God. Be courageous my friends because one day you'll meet with him. God bless you all.*

*Eugene & Marie-Rose Debrosse*

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**Eugene Debrosse** - March 16, 2016 at 05:23 PM

HG

*Evelyn and family: my thoughts and prayers are with you and my heart goes out to you all at the passing of Edgar  
Edgar was my kind of minister and I was so blessed as I worked with him in his different pastorates. I knew when I went to his church I was going to man and a church who had prayed for the revival. In his church I saw his real love for the people he pastored and going door to door with him I saw a man who wanted to win people to Jesus. Yes, Edgar was my kind of minister - a man, but a genuine man of God.  
Thank God for his memory  
Hugh Gorman*

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**HUGH Gorman** - March 20, 2016 at 09:43 PM

JE

*Dear Evelyn,  
I pray that God will comfort you at this time. Since I have not been able to see you and Ed recently, my fondest memory is how happy you both were at your wedding. In your letters you often expressed continuing joy. The congregations you served also seem to cherish you both. May God give you His blessings of comfort and love, especially in the sorrow of these moments.*

*Julia Emblen*

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**Julia Emblen** - March 21, 2016 at 12:07 PM

CE

*Dear Craig family,  
Whatever soothes your spirit, comforts your soul and brings you peace, that is what you are wished at this sad time.  
BJ, Christina Ersson and Maria Hawkins.*

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**Christina Ersson** - March 21, 2016 at 03:06 PM

BB

*Dear Evelyn and family,  
I was so sorry to hear of Edgar's passing. My heart goes out to you all, as he will be greatly missed. Edgar always had a big hug and ready smile, and was always such a loving person. I always appreciated so much that he prayed with us, whenever you both visited here, for my family and for our needs (he was always a careful listener) and that was always a very moving and special time for me.*

*I am also deeply disappointed that I can't be there with you today, with hugs for all of you, as you celebrate the life of a wonderful, loving husband, father, and grandfather.*

*\*hugs and prayers\*  
Bonnie-Faye & Michael Berner*

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**Bonnie-Faye Berner** - March 22, 2016 at 01:48 PM