



Mr. Gerald Thomas MacInnis

October 21, 1969 - June 4, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Gerald MacInnis, who died on June 4, 2025, at the age of 55.

Gerald was born in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, and from a young age, he was full of curiosity and an adventurous spirit.

His life took him around the world—from the Middle and Far East to the Caribbean—and he left a lasting impression wherever he went. He lived on his own terms and never hesitated to speak his truth. For those who knew him, Gerald was unforgettable.

Even as a child, his deep curiosity about the world stood out. He was affectionately nicknamed “Geographical Gerald” for his fascination with travel, animals, and faraway places—a love that never left him. He had a profound connection to nature and animals, finding peace in the wilderness and forming lasting bonds with the creatures around him. His beloved dog, Sozu, remained one of his greatest companions and most heartfelt losses.

Gerald also had a lifelong passion for music. Even after a stroke left him unable to play, he kept his guitar close by—symbolic of a part of himself that remained untouched. Music, like nature, was one of the threads that defined his identity.

He had a soft spot for children and connected with them easily. Whether it was through play, conversation, or simply showing interest in their world, Gerald had a way of making children feel seen and valued. It was one of the gentler sides of him that revealed how much love he carried beneath his often strong exterior.

Gerald is survived by his mother Joanne Abel, sister Patricia McLarnon, brother Stephen MacInnis, niece Amie MacInnis (Kyle), and grand-nephew Roka Kanngiesser.

A Mass in honor of Gerald's life will be held on Friday, June 13, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church. Family and friends are invited to join us in remembering and celebrating his life.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation in Gerald's memory.

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

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUN 13. 11:00 AM (MT)

St. Francis de Sales Roman Catholic Church

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Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Very shocked to hear this news! Ger was a good friend of my husband, Paul Arbour and I, from Canmore days! His birthday came up on Facebook Book and I noticed a mention from a friend. Ger’s comical wit kept us all laughing. We had tons of fun at the Rose & Crown, shooting pool! My deepest condolences to the family.*

Ronda Kemp(Arbour) - October 21, 2025 at 02:30 PM

CC

“ *Sincere condolences to the family, I met Gerald while working on a large project in Grand Cayman and shared a few laughs. As another wandering Maritime boy, he was a kindred spirit. RIP Gerry.*

Craig Chisholm - July 23, 2025 at 10:24 AM

PB

“ *Dear Joanne & family,
Please accept my most dear condolences on the loss of your most precious son, brother and Uncle.
Sincerely
Your Cousin Patsy
RIP Gerald* ❤️🙏❤️

Patricia Mac Donald Ben - June 13, 2025 at 04:29 PM

BC

“ *So very sorry to read this Joanne.....Betty Campbell*

Betty Campbell - June 11, 2025 at 03:03 PM

MI

“ *Very sad to hear the news of Gerald's passing! I pray you're now at peace bud! My sincerest condolences to his Mom Joanne, Sister Patricia & Brother Stephen!*
Michelle (MacIntosh) Wood

Michelle - June 09, 2025 at 07:30 PM

AM

“ *To my dear cousin Joanne, Patricia and Stephen. Phonse and I are sending our deepest condolences to you all during this most difficult time. We are sending out so much love to you all. So wish we lived closer to be able to hug you. Love always. Phonse and Agnes* ❤️

agnes Martell - June 09, 2025 at 02:10 PM

RG

“ *Dear Patricia ,we are so saddened to hear of the passing of your brother! Our prayers are being sent to you! We speak of you often and miss you lots! Many prayers being sent to you, your Mom and Stephen!*

Rob and Margaret Gillis. Aylmer, Quebec...(originally from good ole Cape Breton)! Miss you!

rob gillis - June 07, 2025 at 07:59 PM

CG

“ I write this with a stream of tears running down my face . Gerald and I were best friends all through High School. As adults we remember and realize just how pivotal these years were to shaping our lives and creating unforgettable memories. Gerald and I spent most of our social time together getting up to " No Good and Real Good times". He was always laughing and wanting to have a good time. He had a huge heart that cared and helped many of us as he was always the one with a car. Lol Gerald my friend, rest easy buddy and until we meet again, I will cherish the Special Bond we had forever!
Love Ya ,
Scatt

Caroline Gallagher - June 07, 2025 at 05:24 PM

VC

“ I am so very sorry to hear this news. Gerald was a great friend to me in high school, always there for me and saw me through some rough times. I love reading that he always kept his loyalty, sense of humor and love of music. My deepest condolences to you all.

Vanessa Canova - June 07, 2025 at 03:20 PM

CM

“ My thoughts are prayers are with you all.
Treasure your memories. May Gerald rest in peace.



Carol MacLeod - June 07, 2025 at 03:12 PM

SV

“ Thinking of you with sadness in the loss of Gerald Joanne and family .



Sherry Visosky - June 07, 2025 at 01:19 PM

BP

“ To my dear friend Joanne; and Tricia and Stephen:
It is always sad to lose a loved one, to that I am sorry.. After seeing Gerald a few ago, I feel that he is at a better place now, after the ending of his sad and painful existence. Much love and condolences from all the Pallister family. Bill

Bill Pallister - June 07, 2025 at 12:57 PM