

## Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney

May 21, 1957 - January 26, 2019

Gregg, beloved son of Ted and Pat Gaffney of High River, Alberta, passed away after a long, courageous battle with cancer.

He leaves to mourn his sons, Rory and Michael of Calgary; his sister Dawn (Marshall) Cliff of High River and his brothers Grant (Stephanie), Andrew (Jessica) and Matthew, all of Calgary. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews and his birth mother, Elaine Rath.

At Gregg's request there will not be a funeral service. A Celebration of Life was held at the Heritage Inn, 1104 – 11th Avenue S.E., High River on Saturday, February 16th at 1:00 p.m. to remember Gregg.

Gregg's family wish to thank the doctors who looked after Gregg on his long journey. A special "thank you" to all the staff at Chinook Hospice for your exceptional care.

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

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

FEB **16**. 1:00 PM (MT)

Heritage Inn, High River  
1104 11 Ave. SE  
High River, AB (CA)

# Tribute Wall

RT

“ I only recently found out about Greg’s passing. I worked for him for a few years at About Painting. He was a very kind man who I considered a good friend. I now sincerely wish I had reconnected with him before hearing of his succumbing to his battle with cancer. I have so many fond memories and lots of laughs we shared on job sites. Will truly forever regret losing touch with him. He was a very good man and leader. Will keep him in my prayers. Sincerely Robert Troy

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**Robert Troy** - May 11, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ I'm posting this on behalf on Nancy:

*So sorry to hear of Gregg's passing.*

*I met Gregg about 40 years ago, as part of "The Boys". There was always a party, and fun to be had. Gregg, Bill, Wade, Darryl, Launie, Grant, Hal, Randy, Jim, Ken and Steve were at the core. Cheryl and Sally were co-partyers.*

*Later, I met up with Gregg when he visited Victoria, and then twice again in Zipolite. His Nice Place on the Beach was a gathering spot for all kinds of people, including his group of friends who I got to know. The atmosphere was relaxing and the Canadian Breakfast was a well-known favourite. Good times!*

*Gregg had a wry sense of humour and a practical outlook in life. I imagine him wanting everyone to have a good time at the gathering in High River, to truly celebrate his life.*

*-- Nancy McLeod*

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**Bella Lawther** - February 16, 2019 at 04:27 PM

KF

“ Karen Foley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney



Karen Foley - February 16, 2019 at 11:12 AM

DO

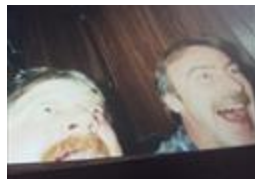
“ Pat, Ted, Dawn and families, all the notes are wonderful memories of Gregg. My condolences.



Donna - February 16, 2019 at 10:55 AM

TB

“ I found the classic Gregg picture from maybe 1976 or 1977 and a couple more I wanted to share.

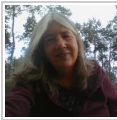


Tracy Borth - February 15, 2019 at 06:38 PM

SA

“ My deepest sympathies to all the Gaffney Family. I'm so sorry for your loss. What great pictures from all our fun times in our twenties everyone is posting. So many fun memories! We sure knew how to have fun and we all loved each other in our special family that we created. In 1999 we decided to have a little reunion with our kids and that was fun to see the next generation. I'm sure your spirit is at the beach now. Cheers to you and all the fun memories! And thank you for establishing About Painting .... I can truly attest the best painting company in Calgary and Rory will make you proud following in your foot steps. Rest In Peace.... Sallie

sallie - February 14, 2019 at 09:14 PM



Hi Sallie! Love your reunion photos. Who's all in the first one?

Bella Lawther - February 15, 2019 at 12:18 AM

GG

Missing my Brother.

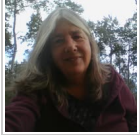
Grant Gaffney - February 11, 2023 at 10:19 AM

SA

“ 4 files added to the album Reunion with our kids



sallie - February 14, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Gregg in our 20s



Bella Lawther - February 13, 2019 at 08:32 PM



“ 15 files added to the tribute wall



Bill Enge - February 13, 2019 at 07:14 PM



Great photos Bill!

Bella Lawther - February 15, 2019 at 12:18 AM



“ Pat, Ted & Family I am so sorry for your loss.



Cathy Couey - February 13, 2019 at 10:55 AM

BC

“ *To Dawn and her family, sorry for your loss*



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**Bob Cole** - February 13, 2019 at 10:48 AM

KC

“ *Kerstin Classen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney*



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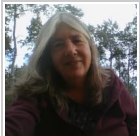
**Kerstin Classen** - February 11, 2019 at 01:25 AM

JL

“ *My heart is with you all*

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**Jamie Lepa** - February 10, 2019 at 08:53 PM



“ *Bella Lawther lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney*



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**Bella Lawther** - February 09, 2019 at 11:28 AM



“ Sharon Doll lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney



Sharon Doll - February 07, 2019 at 02:06 AM

SP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Steve Payne - February 04, 2019 at 02:48 PM

SP

“ My condolences to the Gaffney family. I have great memories of Gregg in our younger years, he was fun loving, confident and a good motivator. Many memories involve rock music and fast cars. Sorry for your loss, Rest in Peace my friend. Steve Payne

Steve Payne - February 04, 2019 at 02:45 PM



Deep condolences to the family. Distant memories have come to life by your passing Gregg. Rest in peace my friend.

Ron Arsenault - February 10, 2019 at 08:48 PM

LI

“ *Honest heartfelt condolences to Rory and Michael, your Dad was a great guy. Condolences as well to Grant and Dawn and the rest of the family. I met Gregg in the early 80's at the condo on Meredith Road, marvelled at the fish tank that sat at the end of the dining room, I spent hours mesmerised by swordtail fish with Zenon and Claudia, and then there were babies, and the years passed ... the last time I saw Gregg, we were returning from Mexico and happened to be on the same flight but never saw each other until retrieving our baggage - wish that I had taken the time to visit A Nice Place on the Beach ... wishes, I guess are for fishes ...*

*lisa*

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**lisa** - February 02, 2019 at 11:06 PM

MG

*Thank you for your memory of Dad, Lisa, he'll be watching from above with glee as he sees all of the amazing things that all of us will be doing through all of our upcoming adventures!!*

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**Michael Gaffney** - February 03, 2019 at 09:09 PM

AR

“ *Andrea Rousseau lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney*



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**Andrea Rousseau** - February 02, 2019 at 08:58 PM

KW

“ So sorry to hear of Gregg"s passing. Gregg was my friend since our early twenties and we also lived together for a while. He liked to party and have a good time but he was also very smart and ambitious and a truly awesome friend. My deepest sympathy and condolences to Dawn, Grant and the rest of his family and friends. Love ya bud, Ken.

Ken Wallace - February 02, 2019 at 01:22 PM

MG

Thank you very much.

Michael Gaffney - February 02, 2019 at 04:57 PM

LA

“ Laurie Allan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney



Laurie Allan - February 02, 2019 at 12:27 AM

CM

“ 3 files added to the album Gregg in our 20s



Cheryl MacKenzie - February 01, 2019 at 10:14 PM

ES

“ *Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Gregg Edward Gaffney*



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**Eunice Schmuland** - January 31, 2019 at 11:49 AM

CM

“ *To Grant, Dawn and family,*

*I am so sad to hear of Gregg's passing - thinking about all the great times. I first met Gregg when we lived in Bonavista in our teens and then later in life in our 20s. Oh man did we have fun - way tooo much fun - the whole gang of us. Fun times at the Airliner, any cabaret would do. So many fun times out in High River on the river and cliffs and keg parties, and all the places we all partied together as a "family unit" back then. I still have pictures of Gregg with his long hair he prized down to his waist in his treasured white coveralls.*

*Cheers and hugs buddy until we meet again. Hold down the fort for us all. You'll be missed.*

*Love,*

*Cheryl  
Hugs*

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**Cheryl MacKenzie** - January 29, 2019 at 09:47 AM

MG

*Thank you Very Much, Cheryl!!!*

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**Michael Gaffney** - February 02, 2019 at 05:00 PM

GC

“ *Ted, Pat, Rory, Michael, Dawn, Grant and families,  
Though our words can do little, we hope our thoughts and prayers will support you at this time of sorrow and loss. Wishing you peace to bring you comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.*

*Please accept our deepest condolences for your family's loss,  
Gerry and Glenda*



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**Gerry and Glenda Cutforth** - January 28, 2019 at 06:38 PM

GJ

*Sorry to you all! For your loss.*

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**Gordon and Raimunda Jackson** - January 29, 2019 at 09:54 AM

LM

*So sorry for the passing of Greg. I met him 10 years ago when bill took me to nice place and I fell in love with zipolite and all the wonderful people there it will never be the same without you may you rest in peace*

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**Launda Madsen** - February 02, 2019 at 03:50 PM

MG

*Thank you to all of you whom have written your condolences.....*

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**Michael Gaffney** - February 02, 2019 at 04:59 PM

TB

*Deepest condolences to Grant, Dawn the boys and the rest of the Gaffney family. Many fond memories come to mind of our crazy younger years but we were all carefree and happy back then. Time has a way of passing so quickly and old friends drift apart but our hearts are with you all. Godspeed Gregg, Uncle is we meet again*

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**Tracy Borth** - February 03, 2019 at 08:12 PM

TB

*Until we meet again*

Tracy Borth - February 03, 2019 at 08:14 PM

MG

*Thank you very much, Tracy!!*

Michael Gaffney - February 03, 2019 at 09:04 PM

BE

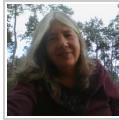
*I wish to express my sincere condolences to Gregg's family with respect to his recent passing. Gregg was a special person in my life as I will attempt to describe here. I met Gregg, in Calgary, the summer of 1978. We met through our respective mutual friends who were renting a character home on 33 St. SW, in a neighborhood now known as Marda Loop. The occupants of the house, who all became our life-long friends (such as now deceased Launie Cuthbert aka Bird/Dunnigan, Bob Brennon aka Booby, Darryl Gerieux aka-Spook, and Jim Linkletter aka Linky) were almost all under 22 years of age. Gregg and I fit in well with everyone we met there, as we were both young (he was 21 and I was 19), and liked to chase girls and party it up. In other words, we started our friendship and friendships with all our soon to be life-long friends, as adolescent hedonists! It's impossible for me to say when we transitioned from adolescence to manhood, but together we - slowly and imperceptively - made that transition. In short, Gregg and I grew up together. In retrospect, I don't think Gregg and I ever completely shed our adolescent skin, as we both managed to find a way to hang out together, every winter, for close to 20 years, on the beach in Zipolite, Oaxaca, Mexico. In fact, Gregg loved the Zipolite community and beach so much that he bought a bar/restaurant with cabana rental units on the beach and called it "Nice Place On The Beach". Needless to say, we (and many of our and his friends and family) spent a lot of time enjoying ourselves there. In sum, it's not surprising that Gregg and I after 41 years of close friendship became "brothers" on the journey of life. I miss my travel "brother/partner/buddy" now and always will.... With that in mind, I'm lucky and grateful to the greater power of the universe for providing me with a true friend like Gregg. It is, therefore, with a heavy heart that I must say bon voyage to my friend Gregg, who I counted as a friend amongst the fingers of my hand... RIP buddy.... we will, one day, pick up where we left off.*

Bill Enge - February 05, 2019 at 11:09 PM

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*Heartfelt condolences to Gregg's family and friends. We only knew Gregg as an acquaintance from our many visits to Nice Place on the Beach in Zipolite over the past few years. But he & NPOTB made a very positive impression. Always a smile. Always time to chat. We feel blessed to have shared a small portion of his time and "Place".*

**Peter & Bonnie Dickens (Halifax)** - February 07, 2019 at 09:28 AM



*To Grant, Dawn and family,  
I am sad to hear of Gregg's passing and am sending lots of love your way. I partied with Gregg and "the boys" in the 80's in Calgary and wish I had made it to Zipolite to visit him at his Nice Place on the Beach. I'd say Rest in Peace, Gregg, but I think you'll be having too much run reconnecting with Launie, Bob, Spook and Jim to get much rest!  
Love Donna (Lykkemark)*

**Bella Lawther** - February 10, 2019 at 05:31 PM

LM

*My deepest condolences to Greg's family in this difficult time. Thoughts and prayers are with you. My husband and I spent many, many, many, wonderful mornings at Nice Place on the Beach, it was a meeting place, where you went for breakfast and left four hours later, having spent the hours talking, visiting, meeting new people and watching the ocean.*

*Thanks for what you gave us Greg, Miss you every time we're there.💔💔*

**Lorna Mundell** - February 14, 2019 at 02:26 AM

TL

*My Heart goes out to your Family for your loss. Gregg was a genuine friend, one of the "Boys" who was great just to hang out, go fishing or whatever and you knew that he cared about his friends. I have great memories that can never be forgotten and am sincerely grateful for the privilege of knowing him.*

**Trent M. Lotz** - February 16, 2019 at 01:28 AM