



## Mr. Thomas Irving Lane

December 3, 1942 - January 13, 2023

It is with much grief that the family of Thomas (Tom) Lane announce his passing on January 13th in Calgary, AB at the age of 80 years.

He was born in Claresholm with his twin sister Patricia on December 3rd, 1942 to parents George and Gwendolyn. He grew up with her and their older brother George Lane on a farm near Parkland, AB. He spent a lot of his working years either working for various farms around central Alberta, grain elevators (United Grain Growers), as well as driving truck in Canada and the US.

Tom's roots in Alberta ran strong and deep. His grandfather, George Lane, worked his way up from foreman of the Bar U Ranch in Longview, eventually owning and operating the ranch which is now a Canadian National Historic Site. He was also one of the Big Four, instrumental in the beginnings of the Calgary Stampede. In 2016, when George Lane became the first Canadian inducted into the Hall of Great Westerners at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City.

Tom is deeply missed by his daughter Cathryn; grandchild Kaven (Cali) as well as his extended family, especially his niece Rachelle, who was always visiting with him. He was predeceased by his older brother George, his sister Patricia, and his son Jeff.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass)  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Tom Lane was an honest hardworking caring man and generous to a fault. He was like a father to me and he was always there for my mother and me since the day I was born.

He had a great sense of humour and liked to tell jokes. I will always remember his love of farming and his intellect.

I lived with him off and on during my troubled teens and moved back home with him and my mother in 2006. Where we became not only more than family but friends. We hung out a lot and joined a bowling league it was great to know him as an adult. I have great respect for him. Life comes full circle though when the one that has always taken care of you becomes the one that needs the care and I gladly did that and often felt he deserved more than I could give because he has always gave so much.

My mom had so many stories of them growing up but the one the one I like the most was when they were 6 or 7 and seen the trick riders at the stampede and the decided to try to learn the trick riding for themselves being so young it concerned everyone but they tried. My mom and uncle decided one day to eat a whole watermelon and they were so sick mom could not eat watermelon again but Tom could. Then there was the time he got his arm caught in the old ringer washer but he was fine.

His last days I would push him in his wheelchair along the path on the river and he enjoyed the time we spent we would talk but not the same way we used to but as much as we could depending on the day. Till the end he was still thinking of me because I told him of my dr.s visits and he would ask how that was going. Still to the end concerned about others.

I wish my mom was here to write something about him she would have come up with something funny or a poem but she loved him deeply and his well being was always the top of her list as his hers. My heart still aches as its still raw.

Remember him as a strong decent intellectual kind funny loving selfless human being that loved the land cattle dogs and kitties..miss you much all my love ..shelle

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Rachelle Davis - March 04, 2023 at 12:34 AM



“ *Raven Hawthorne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Thomas Irving Lane*



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**Raven Hawthorne** - January 23, 2023 at 12:48 AM



“ *It was an honor meeting you sir... I will never forget the stories that your Cathryn and Kaven have shared with me about your life and legacy. May you ever shine bright.*

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**Raven Hawthorne** - January 23, 2023 at 12:47 AM



“ *Raven Hawthorne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas Irving Lane*



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**Raven Hawthorne** - January 23, 2023 at 12:45 AM