

"Life Without You"

Stevie Ray Vaughan

Well hello baby, Tell me,
How have you been?
We all have missed you,
And the way you grin
The day is necessary,
Every now and then
For souls to move on,
Given life back again

Fly on, Fly on, Fly on my
friend
Go on, Go on and live
again, Love again
Cause day after day,
Night after night
Sittin' here singin', every,
every minute

As the years go passin'
by, by, by, by
A long look in the mirror,
We come face to face
Wishin' our love we took
for granted
A love we had yesterday,
Cause Life Without You

All the love, you've
passed our way
Angels have waited, for
so long
Now they have their way
Take your place....

In lieu of flowers
donations to a
charity of choice
would be
appreciated by
Doug's family.



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In Loving Memory of
DOUGLAS ALLEN COOPER

April 1, 1965—September 3, 2021



Doug was born Thursday, April 1, 1965, in Madison, Wisconsin, to Janet and Doug Cooper. Doug often referred to himself as a "military brat" as his father was in the military. Because of this, he lived on several different bases. I am sure those of us who knew him heard stories of his adventures in these places. Doug's father thought that a childhood of frequently moving gave Doug the ability to strike new friendships quickly wherever he went. He also enjoyed a close relationship with his brother Kevin and his parents.

In 1982 his family settled in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he would complete his high school years. He was active in all kinds of sports. He also enjoyed nature, the outdoors and loved to fish. He had many like-minded friends in Winnipeg who remained close right up to his passing. Doug was married to Keri on April 15, 1995 and they had two children together, Haley Elizabeth (1994) and Matthew Douglas (1997). Doug's home base was Winnipeg for much of his adult life (1977 to 1980 and 1982 to 2012).

In 2011 Doug and his brother Kevin came to The Pas with Parkwest Projects to renovate the local high school. His ability to make friends wherever he went resulted in many close friendships here in The Pas. In 2012 he met Lesley, who would become his common-law spouse. Work with Parkwest would take him away briefly from January to February of 2013. He returned to The Pas permanently in February of 2013. Different local contractors employed him until he secured a permanent job with The Town of The Pas, which he held until his passing.

Doug's passion for the outdoors found him right at home in The Pas. He had many fishing adventures with Evan and Sandra, Mark, Tim, "sometimes" Lesley, and too many others to mention. He also loved the lake and spent many summer days there with family and friends and, of course, his two dogs Ivy and Mini. And some great camping trips in the fall with Candi and Tim. In town, evenings were often spent outside on the deck with visits from neighbors Leslie and Curt and Matthew, Dianne, Penny or whoever may drop by.

Doug's other passion was sports, mainly baseball, which led to the formation of the Old Balls slow-pitch baseball team in The Pas. Doug loved to play and coach or simply hang in beer gardens and watch teams play. Doug had many fond and crazy memories from baseball years in The Pas.

Doug was a big guy with an even bigger heart, as could be seen in his connection to his children and his granddaughter Lucy. Doug was the best grandfather, always willing to babysit at the drop of a hat. He loved spending time with Lucy and she with him.

In the last few years, illness due to injury and COVID kept him from doing the outdoor activities he previously loved and spending time with his friends. Most of his time was spent at home with Lesley Ryan and Lucy and summer days at the lake with close family. Doug had a goal to get better, return to work, and get back into activities he once enjoyed. He had even chosen to live a sober life free of alcohol in the last six months, something of which he was pretty proud.

Sadly, it was not meant to be. Doug was diagnosed with Cancer in August 2021. After a brief battle, he passed away Friday, September 3, 2021 at The Health Science Centre with family by his side at the age of 56 years.

Doug will be forever missed by his spouse Lesley; daughter Haley; stepson Ryan; granddaughter Lucy; brother Kevin (Angie and Betker families); parents Doug and Janet; ex-wife Keri; his beloved dogs Ivy and Mini; and many family and friends both in Winnipeg and The Pas.

Doug was predeceased by his son Matthew in 2016.

