

Mervin Alec Lathlin

June 22, 1968 - The Pas, Manitoba

July 13, 2022 - Calgary, Alberta

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our dearly beloved Mervin Lathlin on July 13th, 2022 at the age of 54. Mervin succumbed to the renal failure that deeply impacted his quality of life but did not define how he lived. Despite his illness, Mervin had a kind and generous heart, celebrating many joys, the most precious of which was his family.

Mervin grew up and spent much of his life in The Pas, Manitoba, and Opaskwayak Cree Nation. He received his Bachelor of Social Work degree from the University of Regina and was educated in Indigenous Studies as well. He put his education to work in the human services field and enjoyed his career helping others.

A gifted mentor, and a natural leader, many people in Mervin's family and the various communities he was part of looked up to him. He was often sought out for advice on life, social issues, and especially sports.

Sports were Mervin's passion. He had a special talent for pool, and was an active member of leagues in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta. He traveled for tournaments often and won many awards and championships. He also played minor league hockey, and soccer in Europe. He deeply enjoyed the pleasure of watching a good game, particularly baseball, hockey, soccer, and football. Sports brought Mervin many friends who he cherished and respected.

Mervin was also a leader in his family. He was an excellent cook and loved nothing more than to host a holiday meal among loved ones. Generous of spirit, he had a way of welcoming new family to his table with grace, humor, and care. He doted on his children Armeey, CJ, Miranda, Solomon, Jared and Samuel, and his grandchildren, Adam, Kaz, Adrian, and Genesis. Mervin will be especially missed by his devoted wife Brenda, who he loved deeply and sincerely.

Mervin is survived by his immediate family, his mother-in-law Helen Chiniquay, siblings Ed, Mary, Coraline, Mayble, and Joanne, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends. Throughout his illness, Mervin was cared for by many health professionals throughout the Bow Valley, the family is grateful for their care and support. We wish to thank Dr. Mark Hawkins of the Canmore Medical Association, Dr. Chima of the Foothills Nephrology department and the Cardiology unit at Foothills Medical Centre, Stoney Health Services and the Nakoda EMS.

Mervin will be laid to rest on July 25th, 2022 at Opaskwayak Cree Nation, in The Pas, Manitoba.

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd.

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;

He guides me in the paths of righteousness

For His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley

Of the shadow of death,

I fear no evil; for Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou dost prepare a table before me

In the presence of my enemies;

Thou hast anointed my head with oil;

My cup overflows.

Surely goodness and loving kindness will

Follow me all the days of my life,

And I will dwell in the House of the Lord forever.



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In living memory of Mervin Lathlin,
a tree will be planted in the
Ann & Sandy Cross Conservation Area by
McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES.

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In Loving Memory

MERVIN ALEC LATHLIN

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Mervin Alec Lathlin

Born

Saturday, June 22, 1968
The Pas, Manitoba

Passed Away

Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Calgary, Alberta

Age 54 years



Wake Service

THE RESIDENCE OF HELEN CHINIQUAY

Morley, Alberta

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 12:00 P.M.

Funeral Service

MORLEY UNITED CHURCH

Morley, Alberta

Thursday, July 21, 2022 12:00 P.M.

Officiating: Councilor Boyd Wesley

Opening Prayer

Song

Cree Hymn - Wilbur Wesley Beaver

Speakers

Stoney Nakoda Council

Song

"Peace in the Valley"

Speakers

Elder Margaret Wesley

Elder Henry Holloway

Song

Cree Hymn - Lisa, Jocelyn & Rachel

Song

Shylance Smalleyes

Speaker

Angela Young

Eulogy

Chris & Grace Twoyoungmen

Scripture Reading

Video Tribute

As provided by Soloman Chiniquay

Traditional Honour Song

Dallas & Johnny Powderface

Graveside Service

Opaskwayak Cree Nation
The Pas, Manitoba

Honourary Pallbearers

Chicken Hawks Pool League

Joey Rider
Mario Waterchief
Newton Poucette
Aaron Baptiste
Diane Rider
Phil Bates
Lionel Two Horns
Desi Ear

Past Pool League Team Members

Matt McGonegal
Alex Dubé
Kenny Jaworski
Garrett Baptiste
Elliot Benjamin
Peter Labelle
Wade Labelle
Gordon Beaver
Jesse Starlight
Larson Starlight
Norm Rider
Myron Rollinmud
Isiah Rollinmud
Leo Daniels
Tyler van Biezen

Family Members

Chris Twoyoungmen
Grace Twoyoungmen
Mattais Twoyoungmen
Xavier Twoyoungmen
Peyton Twoyoungmen
Azure Twoyoungmen
Genesis Twoyoungmen
Trendon Kaquitts
Dacster Amos
Bobbi-Jo Amos
Katherine Deschamps
Trinity Twoyoungmen
Cyrus Ear
Joel Twoyoungmen
Jarett Twoyoungmen
Amanda Foote
Keiven Chiniquay
Trissa Meguinis
Krissy Chiniquay
Nelly Abraham
Nathan Meguinis
Karesha Meguinis
Vanessa Chiniquay
Aldin Twoyoungmen
Lacey Twoyoungmen
Raquel Andrew-Wildman
Toby Dixon
Terry Lefthand
Dallas Powderface
Javen Chiniquay
Elias Wesley
Muggs Piche
Tony Boy Chiniquay
Tonya Simeon
Jason Cook

Active Pallbearers

Oral Chiniquay
Dwayne Wesley
Johnny Smalleyes
Clint Bearspaw
Councilor Jordie Mark

Toni Chiniquay
Evan Wesley
Joe Rider
Tyler Van Biezen
Councilor Anthony Bearspaw