



REMEMBERING
James Lawrence

December 7, 1951 - October 7, 2010



James Leo Lawrence (Jim) resident of Nelson, BC passed away at home from a lung infection, Thursday, October 7, after a lengthy phase of "Sarcoidosis" of the lungs. He rests peacefully next to his father Jack in Toronto. A service was held in Toronto on October 16, 2010 attended by numerous family and friends. James was 58 years young, born December 7, 1951 in Toronto at St. Joseph's Hospital. He moved to the Rocky Mountains in 1970, living in Canmore and Banff moving to Field in 1974. Jim relocated to Meadow Creek in 1976 eventually settling in Nelson in 1979. After four months in Nelson he purchased the Palace Hotel in Ymir with friends which they held until selling in 1991. In 1982 Jim was instrumental in starting the "Royal Inn" hockey and softball teams and continued to participate well into the mid- nineties. Jim was the proud holder of the "Fly-Wide Open Award" and the "Protective Cup". Jim had numerous jobs from being a waiter and bar-tender to golf caddying, and also worked on and off for a few years at Kootenay Forest Products. He honed his rock skills working for Metzner Masonry and was instrumental in founding Arcovio Electric and Kokanee Electric. Later in life after his illness, he worked where and when he could. Jim loved anything old: musical records, coins, postcards, furniture, cars, Canadian History, genealogy and especially his hooligans, the "Good Old Boys". Jim loved birds, animals and nature and developed a fondness for photography. Jim is survived by the love of his life his daughter Virginia Cabral-Lawrence, his mother Edna Lawrence, brother Bob Lawrence, sisters Alice Kelly, and Mary Dennison and numerous cousins. His father Jack and many relatives and friends left the world before him: none were forgotten and Jim always had a good tale to share about them all. Jim was a people person and always loved a good laugh and a good story. Come celebrate Jim's life with us! Laugh, cry and tell us your stories!

Memorial and a buffet by donation to be held at the "Sunset Room" upstairs from King's Restaurant, 652 Baker Street, Nelson, BC. Saturday, October 30, 2010 at 4:00 PM until the last man standing.

