

Mann, Michael James

January 10, 2023



Michael James Mann

October 4th, 1960 – January 9th, 2023

Michael James Mann aged 62 years of Moose Jaw, SK, passed away peacefully, with family by his side, on the morning of Monday, January 9th, 2023 at Extendicare where he had lived for the past 14 months.

He was predeceased by his father, James (Jim) Mann. Michael is survived by his mother, Mary Ann Mann; brother, Doug (aka Bud); sister-in-law, Jackie; and niece, Jenna (Marcus). He is also survived by his aunts, uncles and cousins, including Mike's many 'adopted' cousins.

In his youth Mike attended John Chisolm School where he became an ardent participant in the Saskatchewan Special Olympics. He

also enjoyed bowling and swimming. Up until 2021, Michael attended (went to work) at Diversified Services and was very proud of his rather large monthly paycheck, all \$20 of it!

Michael was fortunate to have been able to live and be raised in his family home by his parents. He enjoyed spending time at the family farm at Spring Valley, exploring in the trees and riding in the tractor with his dad. After his dad's passing, Mike remained with his mom, Mary Ann, all the way up to 2019. He then transitioned into Citizen's All group home (Hoch house) where he thrived with old and new friends. Michael was dearly loved and was a joy to have in our family.

Michael, affectionately known as Pickle (thanks dad!), will be remembered not only by how much he loved life but mostly by how much he loved the people in his life. He never forgot a face and always had a big bear hug for that familiar face. Anyone who knew Michael knew that he loved to tease and to joke around and would not pass up a chance to make fun! Michael also was a fanatic for the Moose Jaw Warriors and attended almost every home game with his dad, and then with his mom for the past 30 years. He was also the ultimate Star Trek Trekkie.

The family is grateful for the support provided by many caring groups and individuals throughout Mike's life, including: SACL, Diversified Services, Citizen's All, Inclusion Saskatchewan, and a special thanks to the caring staff at Moose Jaw Extendicare.

A Celebration of Mike's Life will be held on Saturday, January 14th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Harvey Room at Moose Jaw Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mike's name may be made to Recreation Department at Moose Jaw Special Care Home (formerly Extendicare), 1151 Coteau St W, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 5G5 or Special Olympics Saskatchewan at <https://sos.crowdchange.ca/1823/donate>. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Andrew Pratt Funeral Director 306-693-4550

1.



Sandra Wendt on January 10, 2023 at 4:51 pm

Was sorry to see that Mike passed away.

He always had a "hello" smile.

Hold all memories close to your heart.

Great care Mama

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2.



Mickey Heron on January 10, 2023 at 5:46 pm

Dear Mary Ann, so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was quite a man and enjoyed a lot of his endeavours over the years. We know you will miss him.

Sincere condolences Mickey and Lorne

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Randy & Lee (Rach) Zaremba on January 13, 2023 at 2:06 pm

Our deepest sympathies to all. Rest in peace Mike.

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3.



Marilyn Tighe on January 10, 2023 at 6:27 pm

Mary Ann we are so sorry for your loss.

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4.



Ruth Thiele on January 10, 2023 at 6:33 pm

I am so so sorry to hear of Mikes passing. He was always such a ray of sunshine full of fun and laughter. He lived his best life like no other. Thanks to his mom, dad and bother . He will be missed by all who had the privilege to know him. May he now continue his ways reunited with his dad and grandma Helen and all he knew here on earth now greeting him with open arms with the lord. In Heaven Blessing and hugs to all the family with deepest sympathy and caring Ruth

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5.



Rob Girard on January 10, 2023 at 6:39 pm

I remember Michael and the family when you folks were living back on Albert st.I am truly sorry for your loss.

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6.



Aaron Ubell on January 10, 2023 at 7:18 pm

Mary Ann, Thinking of you at this time. Michael was a very

special person. I will never forgot his laugh and hugs. I will never forgot him and Bob bugging each other. He was always a bright light at the Warrior games. Take care.

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Lorrie & Robbin Schick on January 11, 2023 at 8:21 pm

We are so sorry to here of Mike's passing. I will always treasure the visits with Mike especially the big hug and enjoying a Coke together. I know how much you will miss him Mary Ann but please take comfort in knowing that now he is enjoying time again with his dad and gramma. Mike was the type of guy that always brought a smile to your face and a real warmth to a persons heart. He will be missed dearly. Our deepest sympathy Mary Ann and your family.

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7.



Fran Arnott on January 10, 2023 at 9:52 pm

Sending our sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers to you and yours on your loss of Michael. Hugz... Fran Arnott & Garry Ross

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Kenneth Hannaford on January 30, 2023 at 5:37 pm

Mine and my mom's prayers are with you Mary Ann. Much love

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8.



Swanee & Heather Gemmell on January 10, 2023 at 10:42 pm

Mary Ann – we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your precious son.

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9.



Karen and Howard Peterman on January 11, 2023 at 3:34 pm

We're are so very sorry for the loss of your son Michael. He was a very special guy who loved everyone.

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10.



[Rose Marie Gauthier \(Schneider\)](#) on January 12, 2023 at 10:51 am

Mary Ann, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I can't imagine how hard this is. From Olympics to earning a

salary. You can't get a better more noble person. He certainly had his values straight. Please accept my deepest sympathy and my very best wishes to your whole family.

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11.



Randy and Brenda Ludwar on January 13, 2023 at 1:55 pm

Hello Mary Ann, Doug and family, Brenda and I want to express our sincere condolences. Mike was such a loving, gentle soul. He loved to laugh and I will always remember that.

Best regards, prayers and hugs, Randy and Brenda Ludwar

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12.



Lorelei Kawchuk (nee Hannaford) on May 14, 2023 at 2:04 pm

Hello, Mary Ann!! You likely won't remember me, but I am the oldest of your cousin Kenny Hannaford Sr.'s children... I just learned of Michael's passing earlier this year, & although it's been a while, I still wanted to extend my condolences to you & the family!! I see where it says in his obituary, "Michael was fortunate to have been able to live and be raised in his family home by his parents." One of my dearest friends was born with Down Syndrome, & from my talking with her mother about her difficulties, I know that it took a lot for you & Jim to keep Michael at home

with the family... I appreciate & admire your efforts, & I feel sure that Michael appreciated all that you & Jim did for him!!

Doug & family~~ I'm sorry for your loss of your brother!! My thoughts & prayers are with you all!!

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