

McCready, Walter James “Wally”

March 17, 2026



Walter James “Wally” McCready

Walter James “Wally” McCready – known lovingly as Wally, Papa, and Slim – passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 12th, 2026, at the age of 68 years in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, surrounded by his loving family, just as he would have wanted.

Born June 2nd, 1957, in Moose Jaw to Robert John “Bob” McCready and Mary McCready, Wally was an adored son and proud big brother to Sherry, with whom he shared an unbreakable bond that only grew in friendship and love as they did. From day one, Wally had a playful spark of mischief and a deep love for people. As a young man he filled his days with sports – football, hockey, and baseball – along with music, musical theatre, and spending time with friends who would eventually become lifelong companions and chosen family.

Following proudly in his father's footsteps, Wally spent his career on the railroad with Canadian Pacific Railway. The job took him to different cities over the years, first as a young man chasing opportunity and later as a devoted family man building a life with those he loved most. No matter where the track took him, it was the friendships built that made each new city a home.

At the heart of Wally's world was family. He married the love of his life, Cindy, beginning a love story that would span 45 beautiful years. Together they built a life filled with laughter, loyalty, and unwavering love. Travel became a highlight both early and later in life. Wally adored his daughters, Lyndsay and Shannon, and he was proud beyond measure to be a devoted "girl dad."

But if you asked Wally, his greatest title was Papa. When Ava-Lee, Hudson, Kesler, Lilly, and Archer came into his life, his heart grew even bigger. He loved every moment with his grandbabies – cheering them on at their sports and activities, driving them wherever they needed to be, and listening closely as they told him about their days. Nothing made him prouder than the people they were growing into.

Wally had a rare way of making people feel special. When you spoke with him, you felt his warmth immediately – as if, in that moment, you were the most important person in the room. He was kind, loving, and selfless, and he carried a deep loyalty to both family and friends.

To those who knew and loved him best, Wally truly was "the best."

He was predeceased by his father, Robert John McCready. Wally leaves behind his beloved wife, Cindy; daughters, Lyndsay (Cody) and Shannon (Derrick); his cherished grandchildren: Ava-Lee, Hudson, Kesler, Lilly, and Archer; mother, Mary McCready; sister, Sherry (Peter); and many extended family members and dear friends whose lives were brighter because of him.

Wally fought hard in his final chapter and faced it the same way he lived his life – with courage, grace, and the spirit of a warrior. His family extends their deepest gratitude to the

compassionate medical staff who cared for him so thoughtfully.

Though he will be deeply missed, Wally's love, laughter, and unwavering devotion to family will live on in the hearts of everyone fortunate enough to know him.

A private family graveside service will be held with a celebration of life to follow in June. In lieu of flowers, please pay it forward as Wally would have – offer a ride (Wallycab), buy a coffee, or just lend an ear. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Gary McDowell, Funeral Director 306-693-4550

1.



Doug Wasser on March 17, 2026 at 5:33 pm

My sincere Condolences to all of the Family . Wally was a great guy and i never saw him Angry with anyone . We go back many years and times of fun and laughter , never to be forgotten . Fly High Wally .

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2.



Mike and Chris Ward on March 17, 2026 at 6:07 pm

I'm so sorry to hear of Wally's passing he was a good man and he will be missed by all who knew him my heart ♥️ goes out to his family and friends at this time of sorrow peace and comfort Wally

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3.



Bob Ross on March 17, 2026 at 7:33 pm

So very sorry to hear of Wally's passing. It was a long battle for him. He was a great friend and co-worker at the railway. We always had fun. I know he will be missed greatly. Know that he is watching over all of you from above. Rest in peace Wally.

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4.



Linda Ing (Hoppenreys) on March 18, 2026 at 6:38 am

Mary and Sherry and to all of Wally's family...I'm sorry to hear of Wally's passing. It was always nice running into Wally when he was shopping. Always pleasant. I asked him his story, and he told it with no self pity. Honourable. His attitude was admirable. He will be missed in this life. Warm hugs to all of you.

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5.



Clark Gordon on March 18, 2026 at 8:02 am

I met Wally in my grade 12 year at Peacock, We had a "birthday bond" as my birthday is also June 2nd. I can honestly say he was incredibly welcoming and showed an ability to make you feel welcomed, with his smile, and with his words. My deepest condolences and prayers to you

all, Wally was one of the good ones for sure.

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6.



The Downton Family on March 18, 2026 at 10:34 am

We give our deepest condolences to the McCready Family at this sad time. – from the Downton families.

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7.



Jessica Church on March 18, 2026 at 12:05 pm

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad/grandfather. Thinking of your family.

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8.



Diana & Larry Gamble on March 18, 2026 at 1:55 pm

Dear Mary, Sherry, Cindy & all of Wally's family. Were so sorry for this deep loss. We wish you peace and strength today and always.

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9.



John EASTW00D on March 18, 2026 at 2:00 pm

Condolences Lindsay,Cody and family on the passing of your father Lindsay.

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Mike & Wanda McRitchie on March 19, 2026 at 4:29 am

We have known Wally for many years and always enjoyed running into him. Whether it was a work or at the rink Wally was always the most upbeat person and always left an impression. We will miss him for sure. Our sincere condolences to Cindy, Lyndsay and Shannon.

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10.



Maureen Wareham on March 20, 2026 at 9:00 pm

Mary and Sherry, my condolences on the loss of your son and brother.

May your memories become treasures that you hold in your heart forever.

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11.



Kent Law on March 21, 2026 at 9:36 pm

It is with great sadness to hear of Wally's passing. My condolences to the family.

Having worked with Wally for many years, it is great to be able to look back at all the memories.

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12.



Brian Kefford on March 22, 2026 at 2:17 pm

To Mary and Sherry : On behalf of the Kefford Family (George and Brian) please accept our heartfelt condolences on the passing of Wally. He will be missed.

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