North, Shawna

May 15, 2019



Shawna North

Shawna North passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, friends and her devoted cat, Merle on Thursday, March 14th, 2019. Shawna will be forever remembered by the love of her life, Keith Romanow. She was predeceased by her dad, John (Jack) North and father-in-law, Tom Romanow. Left to mourn are her mom, Corien North; sisters, Tracey North and Teresa North; mother-in-law, Effie Romanow; brothers-in-law, Michael (Lauralie) Romanow and Tim (Gaètan) Romanow; sister-in-law, Sharon Romanow; nieces Melissa and Kayla, nephew Jesse and their mother Joanne Romanow; her close circle of friends which included: Wendy, Jacquie, Mona and Cheryl, all of whom played an important part of her life; as well as other relatives and friends. Shawna was born in Moose Jaw, SK on September 16th, 1965, daughter to Corien and Jack North. Growing up she was a daredevil. She loved skateboarding, BMX and motocross. That didn’t change over the years, as she went skydiving with her best friend Wendy in August 2017. Shawna loved history, old movies, country music, books and TV, and that led to her pursuing a B.A. majoring in History from University of

Saskatchewan and then attending Kelsey to get her Library Technician designation. She then returned to Moose Jaw to start her career in the library at Saskatchewan Polytechnic (STI/SIAST). She was actively involved in the Saskatchewan Government and General Employees Union (SGEU) holding various positions, currently sitting on the local committee as Steward and Campus Chair and on the Provincial Council as Education Sector VP. During the spring of ’89 she met Keith while working at Patterson Motors and their relationship bloomed throughout the years. Together, they enjoyed horseback riding, golfing, travelling, hanging out in the backyard, cheering on the Saskatchewan Roughriders on the big screen, raising dogs and cats, and spending time with family and friends. Shawna was always very active enjoying soccer, running, team roping, golfing with the girls, canoeing the South Saskatchewan River with Karen, and playing the guitar. We will miss her very much. **A Celebration of Shawna’s Life will be held on Thursday, March 21st, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. at the Sportsman Centre, 276 Home St E, Moose Jaw, SK.** In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Shawna may be made to The Moose Jaw Humane Society, Box 1658 Station Main, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 7K7 or Band City Stray Cat Rescue (SCRAPS), PO Box 1653, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 7K7.
Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Gary McDowell, Funeral Director 306-693-4550.

1.



James P Sikorski on March 16, 2019 at 7:06 pm

It is very sad to hear that Mrs Shawna North has dead so young. We like to express our sympathy to all in family. Also to share the comforting words written for us in 1Corinthians 15: 22- 26.

Reply

2.



Sue and Vaughn Clarke on March 17, 2019 at 10:03 am

To aunty and cousins, we are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you during these difficult times. Shauna will be greatly missed, she was a wonderful person with a huge heart. Sending all our love to you. Sue and Vaughn Clarke

Reply

3.



Bob and Sue McNutt on March 18, 2019 at 10:44 am

Sorry to hear of your loss thoughts and prayers to you all. Had some great times when Keith and shawna roped

Reply

4.



Bob Bymoen, President SGEU on March 18, 2019 at 11:48 am

I wish to send condolences to Shawna’s family. We have been missing Shawna ever since she took leave to have her battle with cancer. We are saddened to hear of Shawna’s passing. Shawna was always very amicable. She wanted what was fair for everyone. We miss her dearly.

Reply

5.



Bert Walker on March 18, 2019 at 12:30 pm

Sorry Keith on the loss of Shauna, I haven’t seen you for many years , but remember Shauna from The Patterson Christmas Parties. Take Care Keith

Reply

6.



Pat Alix on March 18, 2019 at 2:16 pm

Sorry to hear of Shawna’s passing. I was an instructor at SIAST when she worked in the library. She was a great person. We had good chats. Pat Alix

Reply

7.



Jim Lind on March 18, 2019 at 3:23 pm

I was so sorry and saddened to hear about Shawna’s passing. I worked at SIAST at the same time as Shawna did and she was a great person to know and was always helpful when I needed something from the library.
Jim Lind

Reply

8.



Warren White on March 18, 2019 at 5:16 pm

On behalf of all Sask Polytechnic Faculty, I wish to offer sincere condolences to the family. It is a shock to learn of Shawna's passing. I wish all Shawna's friends and family peace in this time of great loss.

Warren White President, Sask Polytechnic Faculty Association

Reply

9.



Jeff Campbell on March 18, 2019 at 7:56 pm

Played soccer with Shawna sorry to hear of her passing.

Reply

10.



Rick Engel, Q.C. on March 19, 2019 at 5:17 pm

Keith – I was very sad to hear Shawna succumbed to her illness. As legal counsel for SGEU, I worked with Shawna on a number of complex legal projects and always found her to be completely delightful. Besides being incredibly bright and articulate, I enjoyed her humour, her passion for her beliefs, and her persistence in achieving a fair resolution. I know all of the lawyers in our firm who worked with her felt the same way. She was a true

inspiration within the labour relations community.

Reply

11.



Mechilene Veszi, SGEU Local 5291 on March 19, 2019 at 10:34 pm

To the family of Shawna, our condolences. I have known Shawna through my involvement with SGEU. She was very welcoming, supportive, and made me feel I belong with the team of union representatives. She always had a welcoming smile when we met I will miss Shawna who represented and supported all people most specially the women who needed support. May you now Rest In Peace.

Reply

12.



Martine Morency on March 20, 2019 at 4:28 pm

So terribly sorry and overwhelmed to hear of Shawna’s passing. It is a great loss for the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Library and the library technician community. I’ve always enjoyed working with Shawna. She was thorough, competent in all her activities at the library. She made anyone around her feel special and always had a word of encouragement. You will be greatly missed, dear friend. My condolences to the family.

Reply

13.



Scott Cameron on March 21, 2019 at 5:39 am

Sincere condolences to Shawna’s family, to Keith, and to her circle of friends. Sending you warmest thoughts.

Reply

14.



Sandra Frey on March 21, 2019 at 10:39 pm

Sincere sympathies to Keith and Shawna’s family. Shawna was a great co-worker at Sask Polytech Library, always eager to lend a helping hand or words of encouragement. She will be missed.

of encouragement

Reply

15.



Diane Gow on March 26, 2019 at 9:37 pm

My deepest condolences + prayers to Keith + family. I am one of Shawna’ graduate friends from Peacock High School. We played sports together, hung out together, partied together. I remember Shawna with a great sense of humor, bright + funny. I will miss you Shawna, praying you are walking with God. Diane Gow (Woo)

Reply

16.



Rana on April 4, 2019 at 3:21 pm

(Arabic: إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّـا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ) is a part of a verse from the Qur’an which translates to ““Indeed we belong to Allah, and to Allah we shall return.””

I am so sorry to hear about Shawna passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. …

Reply

17.



Tammy Turner on May 1, 2019 at 6:24 pm

I was so sorry to read this. Please send my condolences to Keith…I worked with him at Patterson Motors and haven’t seen him for years. He and Shawna were a perfect pair. So sad.

Reply