

Pottruff, Craig

August 16, 2023



Craig Pottruff

1981 – 2023

It is with great sadness that we announce that Craig Pottruff of Calgary, Alberta was called home suddenly on Saturday, August 5th, 2023.

Craig was born April 19th, 1981 to parents Lance and Verna Pottruff in Central Butte, Saskatchewan. As he was growing up, Craig had a strong love for the family farm located near Lake Valley, Saskatchewan, which remains an important place for the family to this day.

Craig was always an ambitious, creative and motivated individual in all aspects of life. Upon his graduation from high school at Aden Bowman Collegiate in Saskatoon, SK in 1999, Craig embarked

on a career path that included a wide variety of entrepreneurial ventures and challenging professional roles that were the product of a strong personal motivation – a trademark personality trait.

Craig had a unique ability to befriend almost anyone, and within minutes would be able to make you feel like a lifelong friend. He was equally happy to seek adventure on trips to various places in the world including Hawaii, St. Maarten, Ireland, and Italy, as well as locations closer to home such as the Rocky Mountains, adventures in his adopted home city of Calgary, and in Saskatchewan at the family farm near Lake Valley, family home on Buffalo Pound Lake, and a long standing love of the annual country music festival in Craven, Saskatchewan (Country Thunder).

Most important was Craig's love of family and friends. Craig would go out of his way to do anything to bring joy to those around him, and he would give love and support to those who were in need in ways that were truly exceptional.

He was predeceased by his mother, Verna Pottruff; grandparents: Ken and Fran Pottruff, Irvin and Margaret Buckmaster; uncle, Ervin Buckmaster; and cousins, Seann Hall and Grant Buckmaster. Craig is survived by his father, Lance Pottruff (Candi); brothers, Chad Pottruff (Stephanie) and Keith Pottruff; as well as extended family including: uncle, Rob Pottruff (Charlene), aunt, Mary Ellen Hall (Daryl); aunt, Sonia Buckmaster; cousins: Staci Hill (Sean), Justin Pottruff, Wendy Waalen (Harald), Jared Buckmaster, Everett Buckmaster, and Briana Buckmaster (José); nephews: Ethan, Carter, and Hayden; niece, Sidney; as well as many more extended family members.

The Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, September 5th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in Hillcrest Apostolic Church, 1550 Main St N, Moose Jaw, SK. Those not able to attend may view the service virtually by going to www.protecstudios.ca/live. A Celebration of Craig's Life will take place in Calgary, AB at a date to be determined. In lieu of flowers, the family would ask that donations in Craig's name be made to a local SPCA or an animal rescue organization to honour his love for dogs, including his most recent canine companions Margo and Morgan. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane, Gary

1.



Bonnie and Rick Clubbe on August 16, 2023 at 7:39 pm

Sending our deepest condolences to the Pottruff family at their time of this tragic loss.

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Mark Bentley on August 24, 2023 at 1:33 pm

I'm still in shock, Craig was defiantely one in a million. Deepest condolences to everyone in the Potruff family.

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Garry Scotland on September 12, 2023 at 10:00 am

I was wondering if Craig is related to the Pottruff's down in Ontario down around Burford, I have a uncle that lives in Calgary his name is Stutt Pottruff?

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2.



Michelle Bozza (MiTcHeLiNa) on August 16, 2023 at 7:44 pm

Hearing of Craig's passing was probably one of the worst days of my life, it never has felt real and I don't want it to ever. Craig was a best friend to everyone he had met in his time here. Everyday a memory creeps up and all I can do now is smile and know that our time together was what it was. Until we meet again

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3.



Noreen and Keith Aitken on August 16, 2023 at 8:42 pm

To Lance, the Pottruff family and Buckmaster families, we are so very sorry for your loss. Craig was a talented young man. He will be so missed by everyone that knew him. Please accept our condolences.

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4.



Monique Gloux on August 16, 2023 at 9:30 pm

My absolute condolences to the Pottruff family. May Craig Rest In Peace. I met Keith in Cancun, went to Calgary more than a few times to Craig Seibel's parties during Stampede and we'll kept in touch on Facebook. Seeing all his lovely photos of all of you, through Keith's eyes a d relationship with Craig. I am saddened for your unimaginable loss.

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5.



Robin Gardner on August 16, 2023 at 9:31 pm

Lance and all family...

So very sorry for your loss. Hugs flying to all filled with healing peace.

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6.



DawnAnne & Chase Darroch on August 16, 2023 at 9:41 pm

So sorry to the Potruff family for your loss!

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7.



Joy shaw (harms) on August 16, 2023 at 10:56 pm

My condolences to the family

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8.



Chris & Faye Davidovich on August 17, 2023 at 6:52 am

Our deepest condolences to Craig's entire family. He was a

fantastic friend and he will be dearly missed by us. He will be loved by us and many others for eternity.

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9.



Landis and Vince Munroe on August 17, 2023 at 7:21 am

Condolences to the Pottruff and Buckmaster families from the Wheelers.

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10.



Kerry St.Cyr on August 17, 2023 at 9:34 am

My condolences to the family on your loss.

News of Craig's passing was a great shock as we had discussed getting together in the near future for a drink after work.

He will be sorely missed by family and friends.

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11.



Bruce Mackay on August 17, 2023 at 10:33 am

Sincere condolences to Craig's family. I met Craig through Keith. He was an exceptional young man and his passing is

a terrible loss.

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Brenda and John Simpson on August 18, 2023 at 2:23 pm

Lance, Candi and family. John and I are so sorry for your loss. Sending hugs and prayers

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12.



Cindi Gaucher on August 17, 2023 at 12:01 pm

My condolences to the family. Such a tragic event.

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13.



Penny and Denny Lien on August 17, 2023 at 2:25 pm

Our sincere condolences to the Pottruff, Buckmaster, and Jackson families on your tragic loss of Craig.

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14.



Thu Duncan-Nguyen on August 17, 2023 at 3:32 pm

Keith, Chad,.. I shed a thousand tears the morning I heard this news.. so I can only imagine what you and your family went through. For hours I kept thinking it must be a mistake, and then sadness would set in. Craig was beyond a joyful soul... he lit up every room he walked into and left an impression on everyone he met. I feel very lucky to have had the opportunity to call him my friend and I will miss him so much. Please pass on my condolences to the rest of your family. -Thu

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15.



Jill Torgerson on August 17, 2023 at 6:59 pm

So sad to see a young soul taken too soon. My deepest condolences to both the Pottruff and Buckmaster families.

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16.



Kris Blyth on August 17, 2023 at 8:18 pm

Deepest condolences Pottruff Family. Craig was my best friend for over 20 years. We lived worked together, lived together, and shared so many great memories. Craig was an amazing guy that left a special impression on everyone he

met.

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17.



Shirley Blyth on August 18, 2023 at 7:05 pm

My sincere condolences to the Pottruff family. Craig was a very personable young man and a young soul taken too soon.

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18.



Deb on August 19, 2023 at 2:27 am

Words cannot describe the feeling I had hearing the passing of Craig. My heart ♥️ goes out to Lance,candi, Chad and Keith as well as the rest of the family. So young to be taken...my prayers are with you at this very sad time.

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19.



henry n heppner on August 19, 2023 at 2:00 pm

so very sorry to hear of the death of a dearly loved son

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20.



Kristal Hlookoff on August 27, 2023 at 6:45 pm

Lance, Candi, Chad, Keith & Family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Craig had such a big heart for others. He will be dearly missed by so many.

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21.



Cheryl and Tom Simpson on September 5, 2023 at 10:14 am

Lance, Candi and family we are so very sorry for your loss. Thinking of all of you at this most difficult time. Craig was an amazing young man and will be missed dearly. Sending you much love and prayers ♥️

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