

Death is nothing at all.
It does not count.
I have only slipped away into the next room.
Nothing has happened.
Everything remains exactly as it was.
I am I, and you are you, and the old life that we lived so fondly
together is untouched, unchanged.
Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.
Call me by the old familiar name.
Speak of me in the easy way which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone.
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.
Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes
that we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was.
Let it be spoken without an effort, without the
ghost of a shadow upon it.
Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same as it ever was.
There is absolute and unbroken continuity.
What is this death but a negligible accident?
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?
I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just
round the corner.
All is well.

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Seamas was born in the family home in Sliabh An Ri in county Meath, Ireland on July 25,1949. He was a pupil in his Father's class in elementary school in Gehans Town, later attending Boarding School in Kilnacrott, and finishing his education at the Bolton Street College receiving a degree as a Quantity Surveyor. Seamas had worked in Dublin, London, and Tehran. He then settled in Lethbridge in 1977, where he was employed by the Government of Alberta for 38 years.

In the winter of 2005 Seamas met the love of his life, Cindy Leenstra. They were married on July 6, 2008. Seamas and Cindy loved traveling and often found themselves home in Ireland visiting with his family. As a very gifted musician, Seamas was always known to sing a tune, strum his guitar or compose a song. Seamas was also an avid sportsman. He loved to golf, and played many sports in his youth, including hurling, Gaelic football, and rugby. Seamas was inducted into the Lethbridge Sports Hall of Fame in 2009 for his contributions in starting the Rugby program in four high schools in Lethbridge. If you couldn’t find Seamas on the golf course, or sipping a drink in his garden, he would be out walking in the coulees with his two dogs.

Seamas is survived by his adoring wife Cindy; children Victoria (Tyler) Perry, Liam (Chandra) Skelly; step-children Keith (Shannon) Dykslag, Tiffany (James) Long, Riley (Shaelen) Dykslag, and Jillian (Mathew) Calnan; grandchildren Benjamin, Maverick, Memphis, Lucia, Roman, Georgia and Finley. His Siblings Eilis (Donal) Voyles, Nuala (Michael) Fagan, Imelda Wellington, Cait Skelly, Maire (Robert) Spencer, Stephen (Helen) Skelly, Aine Skelly, Dolores (Bobby) O'Connor and numerous nieces and nephews, Cindy’s parents Henry and Tina Leenstra, brothers Ken (Tracy) Leenstra, LeRoy Leenstra, Trevor (Carmen) Leenstra, and all of their children.

Seamas is predeceased by his parents, Stephen and Olive Skelly, and his brother Paul Skelly.

“Grá Go Deo”

Funeral Service

1:00pm, Friday, July 12, 2019
Martin Brothers Riverview Chapel
Lethbridge, Alberta
Pastor Rodger Halvorsen, *officiating*

Eulogy

Stephen Skelly

Pallbearers

Liam Skelly Stephen Skelly Benjamin Perry
Robert Spencer Riley Dykslag Keith Dykslag

Congregational Hymn

Amazing Grace

Readers

Psalm 23 ~ Eilis Voyles

Musical Selections

How Great Thou Art ~ Skelly Family
Here I Am Lord ~ Skelly Family
Irish Whistle ~ Inisheer

Pianist ~ Linda Marton

Guestbook ~ Charlie Murphy

Pictorial Tribute ~ Jill Calnan

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