

I'm sending a Dove to Heaven with a parcel on it's Wings.

Be careful when you open it, It's full of Beautiful things.



Inside are a Million kisses, Wrapped up in a Million Hugs,

To say how much I Miss You, And to send you all my Love.



I hold you Close within my Heart and there you will Remain,

To walk with me throughout my life. Until we Meet Again.

They say beauty comes from a spirit that has weathered many hardships in life and somehow continues with resilience Grace can be found in a soul that ages softly, even amid tempest.

I think the loveliest by far is the one whos gentle heart bears a hundred scars from caring, yet still finds a way to pick up the lamp, one more time, to light the way for love.



In Loving Memory Of DEREK FRANCIS WIEST

May 28, 1986 - April 30, 2021



*A Kind Gesture can reach a Wound
That only Compassion can Heal*

It is with great sadness that the family of Derek Wiest announce his sudden passing. Derek will be forever missed & cherished by his three boys Carter, Sonny and Beau and their mother Jessica Wiest.

He's survived by and lovingly remembered by his parents Ted & Cindy Wiest, brother David (Karey) Wiest and sister Michelle (Shawn) Van Nistelrooy. Derek's six nieces and nephews brought him great joy: Tanner, Colton & Shelby Wiest, Jessa, Barrett and Brance Van Nistelrooy. Derek is also survived by his grandma Verna Wiest, grandparents Laurence & Marg Ferguson, as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins & friends. He is predeceased by his uncle Butch and will be joining his #1 fan, Grandpa Pug in Heaven.

Derek had a great personality and a sensitive soul, this impacted many friendships in his life. His love for sports, especially baseball & hockey took him travelling to many places at a very young age in which many special bonds were made with great friends. He was a part of many provincial championship teams in baseball and hockey as well as being honored to play with different All-star teams throughout his hockey years.

Early in his life Derek adopted the Pittsburgh Penguins as his team and was strongly devoted to them until his passing. His all-time favourite player was #66 Mario Lemieux in which Derek spent many hours mimicking Mario's moves in his basement as a kid. Then as the Penguins years went on #87 Sid the Kid became his next hero.

Derek was a strong advocate to many young athletes and put so much energy into coaching baseball and hockey. His fondest memories were coaching Coaldale Copperheads alongside Jeremy Kenyon & Darren Emelson in which they led them to be K AHL champions of Alberta Junior B. Followed by another great season coaching with Mikel Wiest, Brenden Odland and Ty Odland. In the year 2017/18 he was offered a coaching position with the Drayton Valley Thunder to assist them in a rebuilding year.

Derek's greatest enjoyment and happiest days were spent with family, especially his 3 sons. They would spend many nights watching Pittsburgh games and would all have to put on their Penguins jersey or start a big mini stick game. He was an amazing uncle to his nieces and nephews, being a great fan to them through their sporting events and always was so proud of their accomplishments.

Derek had so much goodness and thrived to help others in so many ways. He fought very hard with his own struggles of mental health and addictions but could not fight this battle any longer. His caring personality will be missed every day.

Funeral Service
 Sunday, May 8, 2021
 10:00am - 11:00am
 Martin Brothers Funeral Chapel
 13750 114th Street, Edmonton, Alberta
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 Viewing: 9:30am - 10:00am
 Service: 10:00am - 11:00am
 Burial: 11:00am - 11:30am
 Interment: 11:30am - 12:00pm
 Reception: 12:00pm - 1:00pm
 Darcy Virsik - Celebrant
 Richard Shaw - Officiant

Honorary Pallbearers
 Tanner Wiest, Colton Wiest,
 Jessica Van Nistelrooy,
 Brance Van Nistelrooy

Interment Pallbearers
 Matt Wiest, Josh Wiest,
 Darren Emelson, Jeremy Kenyon,
 TJ Howg, Mitch Virostek

Eulogy ~ Rick Wiest

Video Tribute - Dr. Matt Wiest

Honorary Memorial Book Attendants
 Marie Pytlarz & Kelsey Honess

Musical Selections
Fightin' - Tyler Joe Miller
Why Me Lord - Kris Kristofferson

Readings
 Michelle Van Nistelrooy - Reading of the Obituary
 Jessa Van Nistelrooy & Tanner Wiest - Tribute

Virtual Soloist ~ Catrina Howg
I Can Only Imagine

Memories in Photos
Love Is All Around - Wet Wet Wet
7 Years - Lukas Graham
The Best - Tina Turner

**Cremation entrusted to
 Martin Brothers Funeral Chapels**

