

REMEMBERING Colon Robert Kruger

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Tribute from H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff

H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff send our condolences to family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Tribute from Stephen emilio najera

Relation: Math teacher in cow high

My condelnces to the family of Mr. Kruger. I had math with him in my grade 12 year, but for both semester!

At first we didn't see eye to eye, lol I was a slacker with a brain and he was determined to get me to use that brain.

I feel so blessed, and honoured to finish out my life in school with him as my teacher for such a hard class. He really helped formed my silly brain.

At th end of grade 12 students must have a sit down with a teacher of their choice to talk about "life" if you will and I asked Mr. Kruger if he would be mine, and he said of course!

We had one of the best conversations we'd ever had.

He was an awesome man. I'm so very sorry to hear the family as well as his students lost him.

Tribute from Cody Gent

Relation: Teacher

Dear family of Mr Kruger, this man taught me all I know about social studies and history, and was the only reason I passed that class and probably why I graduated, I can't tell you how sorry I am to hear of this great loss, he will be missed by all of his students at cowichan high and all others who he taught throughout his teaching career. Cody Gent

Tribute from Penny and Vern Walleen

Relation: Grew up with in Hodgeville

Our condolences to the family of Colon and also to all his siblings whom I grew up with in Hodgeville. He was a very determined fellow as I recall in all the board games we used to play as kids and often came out the winner. I can see that that determination was there for his students as well. The college was fortunate to have him as a teacher.

He certainly was called away far to early and I know his loss will leave a void for you all. So I hope each of you will pulled from that special part of your heart the fond memories that will help you through

Tribute from Martin Breuhan

Relation: colleague

Please accept my condolence. Colon was a fine colleague. We worked together at the Cowichan Adult Learning Centre and at the Cowichen Open Learning Cooperative. I always appreciated his student centred being and enjoyed his sense of humour. I am sorry that Colon did not have more time to travel and enjoy his family and freinds.

Tribute from Connie (Scheller) Isley

Relation: From Hodgeville

My condolences to the Kruger family. It's very sad to lose someone at such a young age.

Tribute from Art Aronson

Relation: Student of his at Chemainus High

I would very much like to send my condolences to all of his family. I was very sorry to hear of Colon's premature passing.

"Mr. Kruger," as he was known to me at Chemainus High where he was my math, physical education, social studies and CAPP teacher in the 2001-2004 years. He was an excellent teacher and put everything he had into whatever subject we students were lucky to have him in. I personally loved our chats about all things life from ancient history to current professional sports. It was obvious he enjoyed all aspects of life, even teaching a bunch of brain dead, bratty kids. My best memory of Mr. Kruger had to be when he stepped up to coach the Chemainus Jr. Boys volleyball team when no one else would. We were a crappy team and he knew very little about Volleyball like us all but we still managed to field a decent team that went out to tournaments and competed.

I always said he had an underrated sense of humor and it seems I wasn't the only that thought that in reading some of these nice notes. I am sorry to have missed his celebration of life as I did not hear of his passing until after the date. I am however, happy that I was notified and could write this note. As Mr. Kruger would always joke when the late smokers would always come into class right at bell, "Just in the nicotine, --- I mean the nick of time!!"

I am very certain that many will miss him besides just his family as we all lucky to know him. RIP Mr. Kruger!

Tribute from Joe Simpson

Relation: Taught with him in Lloydminster

I just found out about the passing of Colon. He was a great guy. What a sense of humour.