

REMEMBERING Scott Baker

October 15, 1965 - September 8, 2013



Memories that last

Over the past few days, family and friends of Scott Baker have gathered around the table in their home where most of Scott's business was done when he wasn't on the road at some far-flung place. The phones have barely stopped ringing as people called to offer their condolences and to remember the special way in which Scott touched their lives. Many people had similar thoughts as they remembered Scott. He was very loyal. If you were his friend, he was always going to be there for you. You could count on him. You could confide in him. He was like the brother his friends never had. Those who worked with Scott called him a 'genius' when it came to problem solving, fixing things and overcoming obstacles. Scott was a problem solver with machinery and in life. He was a real McGyver and could get out of any fix. He could fix anything. He was a true Renaissance man. He could turn his hand to any task. He was confident and fearless. He could do almost anything. He was also a natural leader, not a follower. He ran for Mayor because of his frustrations with the municipality. He wasn't one to just complain. He had to do something about it. He wasn't content to just sit. He had to act. Everyone remembers Scott's humour. He was the original 'wild and crazy guy'. He was a practical joker and didn't mind at all if the joke was on him. Scott was a fun guy to spend time with, always full of life. "We all lived vicariously through him," said a friend. Another said: "I will always think: "What would Scott do' in a situation? Scott was so down to earth. He liked working and wasn't too good to fix a fence or chase a pig. He never felt he was better than someone else. He was never pretentious. The love Scott had for his family - April, Jordan, and Sacha - drove him to pure genius. He worked day and night to give them everything they could possibly want and then some. Family was always at the centre of Scott's world. He adored his son, daughter and April and was always talking about the kids. Scott had a huge heart and in his death, he

made the ultimate donation, giving his organs in order to give life to five other people.

Scott left behind his beloved wife, April Miller, and children Jordan Miller and Sacha Baker. He is also survived by his mother Barbara George and father Keith Baker; his sisters Tamara Wambolt and Lisa Gosselin, three nieces, one nephew, cousins and a large circle of close friends including Brad, Bruce, Eric and all the others... you know who you are.

There will be a Celebration of Life at the property in Chemainus on Saturday, Sept. 21, 1-4 p.m. at 3137 Henry Road. Drive past the house and go through the large main gate. Dress casual and have a great afternoon. It would be nice if everyone who comes bring some good stories that made us laugh so hard together. Please bring photos and written stories to leave with the family so April, Sacha and Jordan can have those memories in the years ahead. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation on behalf of Scott Baker to North Cowichan for its ever increasing debts..

