



## REMEMBERING

# Ronald Lawrence Funk

September 12, 1954 - January 10, 2024



Ron Funk (69) passed away in Chilliwack on January 10, 2024. He was born in Chilliwack on Sept 12, 1954 to Cornie and Nettie Funk, the second of four children.

After graduating from Chilliwack Senior, Ron went on to Trinity Western College and

UBC to obtain his Bachelor of Education degree . He briefly worked as a teacher but

spent most of his working years as a Christmas tree farm worker.

Ron had a love for sports participating in soccer, baseball and hockey, first as a player

and then many years coaching, refereeing and umping. He won a Chilliwack Sportsman of the year in 2012.

Ron had a passion for working with youth and was a youth leader and Sunday School

teacher at Broadway Church for 35 years. He was also a care group leader and on the

church leadership team for many years.

Ron was an active games person and was quick to organize game and entertainment

activities for a family or friend group. He had a special interest in trivia and often made

up his own trivia questions for competitions.

Ron had a gift for writing poetry and many of his friends and family have received numerous poems written by him to celebrate a birthday or when going through a difficult time. Many of his family and friends have received a giant card made from numerous poster boards adorned with poems, pictures and likely chocolate bars to celebrate a special birthday or other occasion.

Ron married Margaret (Karding) in 1986 and they welcomed their son, Jesse in 1992.

Ron was very involved in Jesse's life growing up and together they shared the same

interest in sports.

Ron was diagnosed with frontal temporal dementia in 2012 and cancer in 2019. He was

a resident of Bradley Center and Heritage Village for the last 4 years.

He will be missed by his wife Margaret of 37 years, son Jesse, siblings, Ruth (Michael), Mandi and Richard ; Linda; Rick (Barb) as well as many extended family members on both the Funk and Karding side.

A memorial service will be held at Broadway Church, Chilliwack on Feb 3 at 1:30 pm.

