



WILLIAM "BILLY" CHODYKA, of Coaldale, beloved husband of Barb Ennis, passed away peacefully at home after a short battle with cancer on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at the age of 62 years.

Billy was born in the Crowsnest Pass, AB, on January 14, 1960 to George (Sr.) and Nadia Chodyka. He grew up in a large family with four brothers and five sisters. Billy was the eighth eldest in the family and attended school in Coleman in the Crowsnest Pass. In his youth he established himself as a handy mechanic and somewhat of a daredevil. He worked in local businesses in the Crowsnest Pass and as he got older he worked with the Crowsnest Forestry Service and Coleman Colleries.

Billy enjoyed the outdoors and was often found hunting, camping, or sledding with family and friends in the Crowsnest Pass or in Sicamous, BC. In 1996, Billy met the love of his life Barb, and life changed dramatically for him. He became a much-loved father to three children who grew to love him deeply. Together, Billy and Barb lived life fully enjoying family camping trips, going to concerts, dancing, sledding, and hosting family and friend get togethers in their home. Billy especially loved spending time with his four grandchildren. His children and grandchildren brought him so much joy. Billy was a loving man with a big heart. It showed throughout his life teaching his kids many life skills, including how to fix almost anything, in the bush, with a rock and a stick. His big heart was even more apparent while watching him with his grandchildren. He loved teaching them the basics-shooting BB guns, riding bikes, dirt bikes, quads, and how to fix anything electronically or mechanically powered.

Billy was predeceased by his mother Nadia Chodyka and his father George (Sr) Chodyka, as well as two sisters Val Rowley and Vera Chodyka.

He is survived by his loving wife Barbara Ennis, his children Kelli-Rae Tamaki (Tim), Christopher Ennis (Rebecca) and their children Rylen and Chloe, and Colin Ennis (Marissa) and their children Sophia and Scarlet.

Celebration of Life

Cornerstone Funeral Home 2825 - 32nd Street South, Lethbridge, Alberta Monday, March 21, 2022, at 12:00 PM

Patrick Siedlecki Officiating

Order of Service

Processional - When I Get Where I'm Going-Brad Paisley & Dolly Parton Opening Poem Welcome Life Story

Eulogy - Barb Ennis Reflection Song - *My Old Man* - Zac Brown Tributes by Billy's Children - Kelli-Rae, Chris & Colin

Family Prayer
Video Tribute
Message of Hope
Announcements
Closing Words
Recessional - The Dance - Garth Brooks

Reception

Following the Service, relatives and friends are invited to further share this day with the family for a reception in Billy's honour at the Italian Canadian Cultural Centre 1511 St. Edward Blvd N, Lethbridge, Alberta

Honour Guard

Nick Chodyka John Chodyka Gene Chodyka Kelli-Rae Tamaki Chris Ennis Colin Ennis Tim Tamaki Guy Farano