



It is with great sadness that we inform you that Dr. Edwards passed away at the Chinook Regional Hospital from complications of COVID 19 on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at the age of 66 years.

Dr. Edwards was born in Trinidad and migrated to Canada in 1995. He leaves behind his wife, Harriet, and his sons, Andre and Adrian. His death also precedes that of his parents Garnet and Faith, brothers David and Philip, sister Judy and adopted 'sister' Diane Williams.

Dr. Edwards earned his medical degree in Jamaica at the University of the West Indies. He received a government scholarship to study psychiatry in London from 1983 to 1988 where he pursued his post-graduate degree at St. George's Hospital under the mentorship of his lifelong friend Dr. Aggrey Burke.

After completing his government service in Trinidad, the family migrated to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, where he worked at the Regional Hospital from 1995 to 2002. A firm and solid friendship was established with his colleagues Drs. Jim and Julie Chandler while the family lived in that small and beautiful town with its many lakes.

Wayne and his family moved to Lethbridge in 2003 and all family members became Canadian citizens two years later. Dr. Edwards initially practiced at the Bigelow Fowler Clinic South before opening a private clinic. Additionally, his practice included working at the hospital, the Children's Mental Health Clinic, the Adult Mental Health Clinic, a stint at the University of Lethbridge, and monthly visits to the clinic in Milk River.

Apart from medicine, Dr. Edwards' passion was music. He played the piano, organ and steel drum, and was heavily involved in the music ministry at St. Augustine's Anglican Church. Dr. Edwards loved to travel and was able to visit several places on his bucket list, including visits to China, Japan, Australia and St. Petersburg, Russia. His other interests included a fascination with planes and automobiles.

Dr. Edwards was a highly respected medical practitioner who dedicated his life to the service of his patients. He will be greatly missed.

Our thanks go out to the doctors and nurses at the ICU who worked valiantly to save Wayne's life. The family also wishes to extend their gratitude to the clergy of St. Augustine's Church, Revs. Steve Bateman and James Robinson and other members of the parish family who have been a bedrock of support during a very difficult time. Special hugs and kisses to Barbara, Carina, Dorothy, Karen and Shannon in this regard.

Our gratitude also extends to our neighbours, especially Charlene, Mark and Hannah, his colleagues and friends who were unstinting in their encouragement.

Service of Remembrance

FOREVER REMEMBERED

Officiating
The Reverend Steve Bateman
The Reverend Canon James Robinson

Order of Service

Prelude
Sentences
Welcome & Announcements
Musical Tribute via Video:
"Just a Closer Walk" - Christian Crawford (Wayne's Nephew)
Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Psalm 121

Prayer
Reading: Psalm 23 - Judith Robinson
Gospel: John 6:35, 37-40 - Brother Jason Carroll
Homily: The Rev. Canon James Robinson
Video Montage: Memories of Wayne
Hymn: "We Will Dance"
The Apostles' Creed
Prayers
The Lord's Prayer
Commendation

Blessing Postlude: "Soon and Very Soon" Ringing of the Bell (66 Bells)

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Music Team

Mary Lee Voort (Pianist) The Rev. Steve Bateman (Guitarist) The Rev. Canon James Robinson (Vocalist) Karen Hudson (Vocalist) Joanne Collier (Vocalist)

Technical Team

David Hignell (Sound Technician) Pat Hammond (Videographer) Brother Jason Carroll (Videographer)

WE WILL DANCE

Sing a song of celebration, lift up a shout of praise, for the Bride-groom will come, the glorious one, and oh, we will look on his face. We'll go to a much better place.

Dance with all your might, lift up your hands and clap for joy. The time's drawing near when he will appear, and Oh, we will stand by his side, a strong, pure, spotless bride.

Chorus:

We will dance on streets that are golden, the glorious bride and the great son of man. From every tongue and tribe and nation Will join in the song of the Lamb.

Sing aloud for the time of rejoicing is near. (echo)

The risen King, our Groom, is soon to appear. (echo)

The wedding feast to come is now near at hand. (echo)

Lift up your voice, proclaim the coming Lamb. (echo)

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials or temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of car?
Christ he Saviour is our refuge;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do our friends despise, forsake us?
Are we tempted to despair?
Jesus' strength will shield our weakness,

And we'll find new courage there.