



REMEMBERING Randall Smith

Died: December 28, 2021



Tribute from Haywards Funerals

Haywards Funerals staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from Carol Mackie

Relation: student and friend

Randy was one of the most special people to me and I will remember him fondly for the rest of my life. He was a most patient Tai Chi instructor and was always kind, respectful and informative. He taught me in his garage &/or driveway after he was diagnosed and Covid was isolating all of us. We had many wonderful conversations and he will be terribly missed. My heart goes out to you, Paula - I'm here for you.

Tribute from Heather Desabrais

My heartfelt condolences Paula Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Tribute from Duff Shaw

Relation: Personal friend and business associate.

Fortunate to have known such a fine gentle man as a friend and business associate at Ryerson University. You impacted many lives and always were there with a helping hand.

Tribute from Michael R. Hunter

Relation: A Professor at Ryerson

Randy was wonderful and more than a colleague. We witnessed 911's events unfold on the television in my ILLC office - a bonding experience if ever there was one. On another occasion, when I was to put it mildly quite upset because a techy meanly refused to do something that my students desperately needed, Randy saved the day.

He was never judgemental, always happy and great fun to be with so we got along famously. In fact his quote "If you're too busy to go fishing, then you're too busy." is one I have often repeated to others.

My intention was to visit him when he left Ryerson and he relocated. I deeply regret that that never happened.

He was one of the nicest and smartest people that I have known and I am extremely saddened to hear of his passing. My solace lies in the fact that we were all so very lucky to have had him in our lives.

Tribute from Cecilia Baker

It was a pleasure to work with Randy. I first met him when I came to Ryerson as an exchange student, and later on when I joined the School as staff. He was such a kind and fun loving guy who was so great with our students in our tiny computer lab in the ILLC and was of great support to our faculty and a great friend. It was a pleasure to be around his bright light.

Tribute from Michael Patrick Albano

Relation: Friend

Randy and I were friends since high school and I was sorry to have lost touch with him. He was an optimistic and kind presence in my life. I am grateful to have known him.

