



Bernhard "Ben" Kmezic

November 16, 2023

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January 11, 1961 – November 16, 2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of Ben Kmezic at the age of 62 in Toronto. He is predeceased by his parents William and Johanna Kmezic and his sister Diane (David) Au. Ben will be sadly missed by his sisters Jasmine (Vic) Conley, Anita (David) Porter, and Helen (Jim) Howell, and his many nieces and nephews and close friends.

Ben was a devout "Trekkie" and enjoyed everything Star Trek and outer space. He also loved music and art, particularly playing guitar and drawing.

A Celebration of Life will take place on Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 1:00-3:30pm at Midhurst United Church, 91 Doran Road, Midhurst, Ontario

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 2. 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Midhurst United Church
91 Doran Road
Midhurst, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall

AP

“ Ben...

It's just over 2 yrs since you had to leave us for some grand adventures on the USS Enterprise, I hear Time Travel can get exhausting & yet I feel like you come to visit on days

as I can smell your aftershave every once in awhile & that gives me comfort. I hear time traveling can be very tiring (as per Dr Who & Mr Spock)

Because we know how much you loved feeding the squirrels & chipmunks, D & the kids bought me birdfeeders so we can also enjoy watching the birds, & peanuts for the squirrels/chipmunks as watching the birds brings me peace & a way to honour you. Finally, your a great uncle to BB & R's little one... we will make sure he learns about what a great and kind & talented uncle you were...I'll always miss you, love you forever big brother. xx



AP - February 17 at 11:38 AM

DT

“ dan thornback lit a candle in memory of Bernhard "Ben" Kmezic



dan thornback - December 07, 2023 at 02:14 PM

AP

“ *Anita Porter lit a candle in memory of Bernhard "Ben" Kmezic*



Anita Porter - December 02, 2023 at 07:28 PM

JC

“ *Jasmine conley lit a candle in memory of Bernhard "Ben" Kmezic*



Jasmine conley - December 02, 2023 at 05:28 PM

KP

“ *I'll always remember you Uncle Ben. Even though I may not have been as large a fan of Star Trek I always felt like you were what Kickstarted my enjoyment of Science Fiction.*

I always had a great time growing up when ever we got to visit you.

Love you for ever.

Keil Porter - December 02, 2023 at 12:36 PM

DA

“ Ben, I'm still not ready for this to be real. I always valued our time together and always enjoyed your company. To tell the truth I was just a little bit jealous of you. You and my brother Garry were such close friends and shared the love of music. Being 10 years younger than him, I was only starting to experience an adult relationship with him when he passed. You had that for years, and I always enjoyed when you would talk about your times together. You and I ended up doing a road trip together and drove a moving truck full of furniture from Alberta to Ontario when your parents moved back. Although you let on you weren't happy about it, I know you had a good time. I think we learned a lot about each other and had a lot of laughs along the way. That's a memory I will cherish forever.



Another memory that never fails to make me laugh was "THE GREAT RACE" when you jumped on your Dad's scooter and raced Jim on his lawnmower up and down the street. It wasn't much of a race but it was a whole lot of laughs.

I also have to thank you for getting me out of the dog house without even knowing it. When Keil was very young, Anita, Keil and I were out in the car one day and someone cut me off, before I could say a word there was this little voice from the back seat delivering the absolute perfect cuss for the situation. We were stunned, Anita, because of what Keil just said, and me because I was pretty sure he heard it from me! Keil knew he was in trouble when Mom turned around and asked where he heard that! Then immediately asked if that had come from uncle Ben who we were with just the day before? Like a trooper Keil threw Ben under the bus and saved his Dad! When Anita called Ben later to chew him out all he could do was laugh and take full credit for his work. Thank you ben!

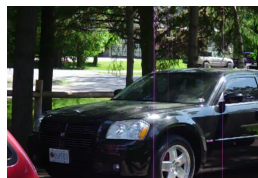
I know others have said it, but it was obviously your time for Scotty to beam you up, and I can just imagine you at the Bridge of your very own Enterprise

Until we meet again safe travels my friend, safe travels....

Dave - December 02, 2023 at 11:33 AM

DA

“ 4 files added to the album BEN



Dave - December 02, 2023 at 10:47 AM

JP

“ *Uncle Ben, I miss you so much. I always think back to our amazing memories we had joking around, talking about history or music and so much more. I will always have you to thank as someone who introduced me not only to the best music, but also playing music. I was always inspired by you to play guitar and was so happy that I could share that hobby with you. I always felt such a special connection with you. Thank you for being such a fun and amazing uncle, and being such a kind and giving person. You truly were such a wonderful soul. I will miss you forever and I can't wait until I can see you again. Love you forever Uncle Ben* ❤️

Johanna Porter - December 02, 2023 at 10:17 AM

JC

“ Uncle Ben. It has been a few years since i saw you last, but it still feels like yesterday since celebrating christmas with you at your place. It pains me that Noah and Hannah never got to meet the coolest uncle anyone could ever have.

Ill never forget you introducing me to the couns of the world. Little did i know, but this simple but amazing experience is what led me to want to travel the world. Know more about the places where these coins came from.

All these years later, many travels, many experiences, and many coins of the world i was able to hold myself i can finally say thank you.

I know you are in a better place now, that starship in the sky! Until we meet again Uncle Ben, i will always be grateful for everything you taught me, did for me, and let me experience.

Rest in peavemy dear uncle

jon conley - December 02, 2023 at 08:02 AM



“ Sending our sincere condolences to the family during this difficult time. Thinking of you all, Todd & Monica Renouf

Todd Renouf - November 30, 2023 at 03:09 PM

HH

“ Helen Howell lit a candle in memory of Bernhard "Ben" Kmezic



Helen Howell - November 28, 2023 at 02:34 PM

BP

“ Uncle Ben, it's hard to put into words how I feel or what to say. I miss you and I love you. I've loved the recent connections we have been able to make when we'd drive to Barrie together. I've loved learning about you and your crazy antics. Seeing the pictures from your younger years until now has taught me so much about you, and your life and it makes me feel closer to you.
Until we meet again

Love Breanna and Renaldo

Breanna Porter - November 27, 2023 at 01:55 PM

JC

Ben, I will always miss the older sister trying to boss the younger brother around when we were younger. So many fond memories I will cherish in my heart forever. I will pinch those cheeks again one day. Will think of you always and forever. Judy & Vic

Jasmine conley - November 30, 2023 at 07:51 PM

AP

“ Ben, I miss you & wasn't ready to say goodbye, we had just talked 2 days earlier & you said you would call back during the wk...that call never came...you were a great brother & roommate all the times we lived together. We sure did have good times! Except when you decided to play a trick on me with a flipping rubber spider on a string! I came out of my room to see this thing moving across the floor & Pepper was getting close to it..I yelled for you to kill it...then you started laughing..I was so mad as I was & am afraid of spiders...Once I calmed down, I went to water my large plant & you bloody well did it again..& yes again I freaked out...But I did get over it & eventually tried to see the humour in your prank...I wouldnt change our time together for anything. The memories, parties listening to you play guitar & your original songs, & watching what else but Star Trek, will always bring a smile to me. Now you finally get to say...

"Beam me up Scottie" the Enterprise will be waiting to take you to your final destination, may you have peace & see your old friends...I love you big brother!

Anita

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Anita Porter - November 26, 2023 at 06:22 PM

VC

When someone moves on its easy to say to all I'm sorry for your lost. But what we should say. What was he really like? Well little brother when I think of you the song 18 till I die will always come to mind. " I wanna be young the rest of my life Never say no, try anything twice 'til the angels come, and ask me to fly" We didn't get to hang out a lot, but when we did it was always memorable. The excitement and expressions of pure joy on your face when I took you paintballing in the 80's. Unforgettable! The pride in your face when you were the one to walk your sister down the isle and hand to me. These and more showed me who you were and I'm sure still are. Time came for you to to explore strange new worlds, to seek out new life and new civilizations, to boldly go where no man has gone before." I wish good luck and bon voyage! I hope you find peace and joy where ever you go out there in the universe.

victor conley - December 05, 2023 at 11:04 AM