



## Edward Ylanen

April 9, 2018

Mr. Edward Felix William Ylanen

Ed Ylanen, 55, passed away at Toronto General Hospital April 9, 2018 after a brief illness. He is survived by his partner Jillian Haig, sister Susan Ylanen Cole (Vince) and niece Eva Ylanen. He was predeceased by his parents Ed Tauno and Lilja Ylanen, brother Oly and sister Lisa. Remembered by godbrother Mark Jutila and family, and relatives and friends in Finland and across Canada.

Born in Vancouver, British Columbia, Edward worked in radio stations all across Canada, ending with GiantFM and Country89 in Welland, Ontario. Edward was a vibrant and caring man who enjoyed helping others and in his younger days played and coached football in Finland, wrote for a local newspaper and worked with vulnerable youth. He also had a passion for hockey, fishing, camping and everything outdoors.

Edward asked that there be no service, but condolences can be left at [www.afftercare.org](http://www.afftercare.org).

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Nature Conservancy of Canada or to your local wildlife rescue centre.

# Tribute Wall



“ Ed helped raise me when I was just a kid for about 10 years. He was a good man. He taught me a lot of valuable life lessons. He helped mold me into the person I've become today. He taught me how to be a man and to treat others the way you want to be treated. He also taught me work ethic and that if you want something, you've gotta stand up and take it. He was a very caring man and he treated his friends and family like gold. There are very few people like him and the world will be worse off without him. My condolences to his family and friends. Rest in peace.

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**Alex Fernandes** - May 25, 2018 at 11:25 PM

DM

“ My sincerest condolences to Jill and Ed's Family & friends. Although I had only known Ed for a short year, but he left a mark in my life with his jokes, kind words and humble nature. He had made a trip to Newfoundland (my homeland) with Jill and ended up contacting me while on his trip to see if I wanted anything brought back as he knew I was missing my "home" there...that's just the type of guy he was, I saw that in him as I know all others who have crossed his path saw as well. I came to work one day to find my favourite Newfoundland delicacy of Birch Beer (a pop) that he said he searched a few stores to find.....he mentions below in his note how beautiful the place and people are in Newfoundland but it's really a reflection of Ed as well, a beautiful and kind soul.....I share with you the note he sent from his trip with a little humour - something Ed was great with :)

"Hello Friends,

Most of you know that I was recently fortunate enough to accompany my better half Jill on a recent trip to Newfoundland.

I have addressed this to Danielle in our office as I know she is originally from there and to Susan in our administration office who cussed me out for not sending a postcard -please consider this to be a modern day one.

The attached explains our experience in Newfoundland to perfection. I hope you have as much fun listening to this song and watching the video as we had when we first heard it on the radio when we arrived there. i just think it is too good not to share with my friends.

Danielle you come from a beautiful province with beautiful, fun-loving people.

Enjoy!  
Ed. (and Jill) "

*His next email went on to say:*

*"See link attached below...,it must have gotten lost in that bloody roundabout!!*

*LoL!*

*Ed.*

*----- Original message-----*

*[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C\\_ShhrFswTA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C_ShhrFswTA)*

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**Danielle MacDougall** - April 17, 2018 at 10:11 PM

GG

“ *My deepest sympathy for Ed's family. I have so many fond memories of Ed at CJVB radio station in Vancouver during the 1980's and 90's. Ed, you were so kind, honest and giving! A huge loss!!!*

*Bender Gill*

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**Gobinder Gill** - April 16, 2018 at 11:40 PM

AC

“ *My condolences to Ed's family and friends. I was shocked to hear of his passing. Ed was the station manager of CJVB radio in Vancouver when I was the host for the Dutch program "Holland Calling"*

*We had a great business relationship and the whole atmosphere at the radio station was fantastic because of Ed's warm personality. He will be missed.*

*Warm regards from Anke (Crowhurst) Dekker.*

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**Anke Crowhurst** - April 16, 2018 at 08:52 PM



“ My condolences to Jill and Ed's family. Over the years I did business with Ed and formed a true friendship. He always had a smile and was very positive and upbeat. I was fortunate to be able to talk with Ed a few days earlier while he was in the hospital and I will cherish our conversation. Ed, you will be missed and may you rest in peace my friend.

*George Kountourougiannis*

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**George Kountourougiannis** - April 15, 2018 at 05:14 PM



“ Ed was a true MVP. He loved hockey and he loved his work. We would often discuss hockey and use sport terms to communicate. He understood me and I understood him. A true friend and he will be missed. "TAKE THE SHOT ED!!". I hope you can discuss hockey with some of the NHL greats that have gone before us. A giant in the radio business and now that you are gone a huge void will be left. Rest in Peace Ed. I will raise a glass in your honor. Remembering you always.

*David Macoretta*

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**David Macoretta** - April 11, 2018 at 10:01 AM

JK

“ We all are sorry for for your loss. Sorry for Ed.

*Friend that have known since 1986.*

*We played football together.*

*We lived together in Helsinki.*

*We shared laughs together.*

*And we spend way too little time together.*

*But we were always friends.*

*Juha Kuutschin, Helsinki Finland*

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**Juha Kuutschin** - April 11, 2018 at 09:15 AM

LG

“ My deepest sympathy to Ed’s family and Jill. Ed was always upbeat and positive and never took No for an answer when selling radio in Niagara. He was able to create strong relationships with his clients which in many cases turned into friendships. He always had time for everyone and tried hard to keep everybody happy. Rest In Peace Ed. You will be missed. Laurie Graham

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**Laurie Graham** - April 10, 2018 at 08:35 PM

BM

“ What a great man! Was truly one of the best people I know in business, from the first day he came in to help my business to his last he always worked to do the best possible, I am saddened to hear this news, may God be with Ed's family and the his work family! Rip Ed,  
Your friend always  
Bill (Garrison Automotive service)

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**Bill Marr** - April 10, 2018 at 07:55 PM

 Brad  
Ward

“ I knew Ed for less than a year but it feels like much longer. He was a great guy and I'm sorry that we've lost him.

*Brad Ward*

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**Brad Ward** - April 10, 2018 at 07:22 PM

BH

“ I am very sorry for your loss, Jill, and extended condolences to each of your families. Ed will be missed here at Giant FM and Country 89. He was always very upbeat ( no matter what his day was like) and his sense of humour made each day brighter. He will be remembered and never forgotten.

*Sincerely,*

*Barb Horning*

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**barbara horning** - April 10, 2018 at 05:08 PM

AG

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



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**Al Garner** - April 10, 2018 at 04:03 PM

SV

*Just heard the news today about my great friend Ed. He was truly a genuine guy and myself, my wife and all our friends remember and will cherish our many times here in Vancouver. Gone but not forgotten. We'll miss you Edward!!*

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**Steven Lundie Vancouver** - April 17, 2018 at 08:40 PM