



John Mercer

April 27, 2018

It is with great love and sadness that we have to say goodbye to my father, John Mercer. John passed away after battling cancer on April 27, 2018 at Princess Margaret Hospital with his family by his side. He now joins his mother, Huguette Mercer, and father, George Mercer. He will be greatly missed by his daughter Jessica Buttars, son-in-law Adam Buttars, his two grandchildren Colton and Caleb, ex-wife Karen Dillon with Christine Williamson, in-laws Betty and Carman, his baby sister Lisa Mercer with Lillo De Simone, niece Tabitha Greco, older sister Susan Mercer, nephew Shane Raymond with Marsha Grant and their two children Casey and Lance, and close family friend Janet Arsenault. Many close friends and extended family, too many to list, will also feel the void.

John was born in 1963 in Toronto, Ontario where he grew up for his whole life. He loved the city, loved riding his bike all over Toronto especially along the Humber River where he would watch the salmon jump. John loved visiting Japan where he would spend time with many friends. It was a home away from home for him. He adored being a grandpa and enjoyed his tradition of taking the boys to the Blue Jays games. John also had such a love for music, especially classic rock.

John had a long career of 34 years at Krugarand Corporation at 80 Bloor Street West. He worked alongside his best friend Joe for the past 26 years. They shared many special times together and Joe was considered the brother he never had.

John was a funny, kind-hearted man who was loved by people all over the world. He loved taking the time to show his friends all of his favourite spots in Toronto, and other areas of Canada. He was an extremely smart man who taught people what he knew about astronomy. He developed a love for the universe at a very young age.

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of life will be held at the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM) on Saturday, May 12th between 1:00-4:00p.m.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 12. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Royal Ontario Museum (ROM)
100 Queens Park
Toronto, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall



Alexander
Cruz-
Denys

“ I will miss John very much. His humour, his love for the game of football, and for the Pittsburgh Steelers is which how he became such an amazing friend to my mother and I, and a father figure to me. I will be twirling the Terrible Towel for everything you've done for us. We love you very much, and we will miss you.



Alexander Cruz-Denys - May 12, 2018 at 11:09 AM



KM

“ I was deeply sad to hear about John passing away. I met John a few months ago when I started working at 80 Bloor Street West. He gave a me a very warm welcome with his smile, kindness and encouraging words. Even though I only had a chance to know him for a short time, I will always remember his great sense of humour and the positive energy around him.

Klaudia Makowska - May 12, 2018 at 05:55 AM



Santiago
Vargas

“ Very sad for the loss of a good friend and great person rest in peace dear John
Santiago & Paola Vargas



Santiago Vargas - May 11, 2018 at 01:31 PM

MB

“ *Michael Bouffard lit a candle in memory of John Mercer*



Michael Bouffard - May 11, 2018 at 12:34 PM

AS

“ *While Working at 80 Bloor I had the great pleasure of working with John and got to know him on a personal level. He loved his daughter and car racing not equally but both were close to his heart. I am deeply saddened that John is no longer with us as those closest to him will miss his humour and love for life.*

Alexander Slepak - May 11, 2018 at 12:12 PM

TW

“ *Tim & Claudia Tanaka and Staff, Pacific Wellness purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of John Mercer.*



Tim & Claudia Tanaka and Staff, Pacific Wellness - May 10, 2018 at 04:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Mercer.*



May 10, 2018 at 11:57 AM

FT

“ From Anna, Albert & Vicky Tong purchased the Gift of Grace Bouquet for the family of John Mercer.



From Anna, Albert & Vicky Tong - May 09, 2018 at 07:17 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of John Mercer.



May 09, 2018 at 06:03 PM

ML

“ Mr. Pai-tsu Lim purchased the Love's Journey for the family of John Mercer.



Mr. Pai-tsu Lim - May 09, 2018 at 03:54 PM

ML

“ Mr. Alan Lau purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Mercer.



Mr. Alan Lau - May 09, 2018 at 03:44 PM

MY

“ Mrs. Agnes Yeung purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John Mercer.



Mrs. Agnes Yeung - May 09, 2018 at 03:39 PM

KS

“ Krugarand Corporation & Staff purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of John Mercer.



Krugarand Corporation & Staff - May 09, 2018 at 03:31 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Mercer.



May 09, 2018 at 03:31 PM

CI

“ Con-Well Construction and Renovation Inc. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John Mercer.



Con-Well Construction and Renovation Inc. - May 08, 2018 at 05:08 PM



Leanne Sorokos

“ Words cannot express how sorry I was to hear about John passing away. His kindness, jokes and love for life will be truly missed by everyone who knew him. I know you'll be rocking on up there listening to Led Zeppelin while cheering on your favorite team. Rest easy now John💙💙

Leanne Sorokos - May 08, 2018 at 04:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Mercer.



May 08, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John Mercer.



May 08, 2018 at 12:14 PM

BS

“ I knew John through his work place.
Always a happy guy and willing to assist.
John, you are sadly missed but never forgotten.
Bob S.


bob Steenson - May 08, 2018 at 11:37 AM

LM

“ 1 file added to the album John's smile



Lisa Mercer - May 05, 2018 at 11:58 PM

 Guisela Lopez de Sanchez

“ We were good friends with John for over 15 years, we were neighbours for 7 years, we always kept in touch. We share good and bad times together. We laugh a lot together and share good music too. He really was a true Torontonion, we share the love for the streetcars and photography. We use to talk about everything. We will greatly miss him.

Guisela Lopez de Sanchez - May 05, 2018 at 07:46 PM

 Karen Dillon

“ You will be missed more than you know my dearest friend. A friend for 35 years and father to our daughter Jessica. We shared a lot of wonderful moments and you knew the importance of laughter for the soul. You were a humble & kind man and although you're in another place, I'm confident we'll meet again my friend xo
Love Rinsk

Karen Dillon - May 05, 2018 at 01:45 PM

CW

“ I am going to miss John, he always made me laugh and let me know how much he enjoyed my company.

Christine Williamson - May 05, 2018 at 01:34 PM

LA

“ Heartfelt sympathy to you Jes, along with Adam, Caleb and Colton.
Laurie & Dave Fanning

laurie - May 05, 2018 at 09:06 AM

LM

“ My brother John. There are so many things that I will miss about him. Especially his quick wit and his ability to make almost anyone laugh no matter what the situation is. I will always consider myself fortunate to be his sister. For those of you who didn't know him there is no explanation, for those of you who did, no explanation is necessary. I will miss you so much and love you always John. Your baby sister, Lisa. 💙💚💛🖤💜💔



Lisa Mercer - May 04, 2018 at 11:15 PM