The family would like to thank everyone for attending the service today. Your thoughtfulness and prayers will be remembered.



The family would like to acknowledge and thank Bethesda Christian Association and the Bethesda staff, who were "Gordie's Home Family."



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Gordon Heidebrecht

September 5, 1470 - January 28, 2025

Chituary

Gordon David Heidebrecht was born on September 5, 1970 to George ad Dorothy Heidebrecht. Gordie has two sisters Colleen and husband Donovan Brummer and Wendy and husband Darren Young and their sons Taylor and Matthew Young.

When Gordie was born, we soon realized that Gordie lacked some physical and communication skills. At the age of two years old we had Gordie tested by the doctor to see what we could do for him. After a couple of weeks, they came back with the diagnosis that Gordie had autism. We were not familiar with that condition.

Dorothy was instrumental in getting a program started in the community for people dealing with this condition. These were some very difficult years learning how to best deal with Gordie. At the age of 16, Gordie was accepted to move into Jackson House which is run by Bethesda. We just felt right about Gordie going to live here. He adapted quite well and would come home for weekends and Tuesday evenings.

Then in May of 1991 Dorothy passed away with cancer at the age of 45. One of the last things Dorothy told me was that I would take care of Gordie. Hopefully I have succeeded.

There was a special Irish nurse named Kathy that Dorothy always asked for. The most special occasion was when Dorothy passed away. Kathy and I were by Dorothy's bedside. In 1994 Kathy Clucas (the special nurse to Dorothy) and I were married. Kathy has two children. Alison Clucas and Colin Clucas. married to Jenny. They all have much love towards Gordie. When we married, I soon realized Gordie's disability was not an issue for Kathy. Kathy gave Gordie all her love, of which she has in abundance.

Over the past several years Gordie began having physical complications which affected his health. When he entered the hospital in November of last year, we suspected that he might not recover this time.

It is very sad for us to say goodbye to Gordie, but we are rejoining that he is in a better place today. The other special occasion was that Kathy was present at Gordie's last breath.

Thank you Gordie, for who you were. Love Dad & Kathy and family:

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR Gordon David Heidebrecht

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 2:00 pm New Life Church. 35270 Delair Road, Abbotsford, BC

Order Of Service



MUSIC PRELUDE
Carl Warkentin, Violinist

OPENING REMARKS
Ron Balzer

OBITUARY Ruth Sherk, Aunt

SONG HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD Brian West

REMEMBERING GORDIE STORIES SHARED BY BETHESDA STAFF Sava, Andy, Robin & Mike

> REMEMBERING GORDIE STORIES SHARED BY FAMILY Colleen Brummer. Sister Wendy Young. Sister George Heidebrecht. Father

> > SONG JESUS LOVES ME Brian West

CLOSING REMARKS Ron Balzer

