Matthew Richard Tanner

It is with great sadness that we share the loss of our beloved Matthew. He is deeply mourned by his fiancée Shannon Pryor and son Owen, brother Dylan, father Scott and mother Susan, as well as hundreds of friends and extended family members. Matt was a kind, compassionate man full of enthusiasm, with a zest for life. The loves of his life were Shannon and Owen. Matt will always be remembered as a bright light that lit up a room with his character and spirit. We know that he continues to wrap his loving arms around us. Matt attended Monterey Elementary School and Oak Bay High; he studied Hotel and Restaurant Management at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology and completed a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Victoria. He was an avid sportsman playing soccer, basketball, track and field and rugby; which became his passion as a young man. He was an unbelievably talented athlete, mentally determined and physically gifted. Matt always had a love for the ocean and could not imagine living anywhere else but the West Coast so when he, Shannon and Owen bought a home and moved to Saturna Island in the fall of 2020, it fulfilled a lifelong dream. Matt had an entrepreneurial spirit, passed down from his father and grandfathers, that could be seen in his many accomplishments. By working alongside his father Scott, he helped Merry Maids Victoria obtain the honour of becoming the number one franchise in North America in 2015. Matt was analytical, driven, a dreamer, compassionate, caring, absolutely brilliant, a prankster, humorous, adventurous, a trouble maker and he always loved to have fun no matter what he was doing. He was an avid traveller and touched the lives of countless people on his excursions and adventures throughout Canada, the U.S. and across the world. Matt believed in self-care and kindness. Throughout the last years of his life, he identified spiritually as a Buddhist and would not hurt a living thing, from a fly to a flower. He taught us all to live fiercely and demonstrated

this until the very end by his courage and strength. Matt passed on March 28, 2021 surrounded by the love of his family. Our family takes comfort in knowing he accomplished and succeeded in fulfilling so many of his goals and dreams. Matt spent the last 4 years of his life working on a digital company that focuses on information systems, patients, technology and science. Show your support for Matt's passion project by checking out www.kanteeva.com and please share the link with your friends. Matt created Kanteeva Information Systems to help mankind.

A Funeral Service was be held on April 7, 2021 at 10:00 am in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens with immediate family and invited guests only in attendance. A video recording of the service is available below.

A large and extremely fun Celebration of Matt's Life will occur as soon as possible and everyone will be invited! In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Matt's favourite charity, BC Children's Hospital.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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