

Troy Edward Brookman

If love could have saved you, you'd still be with us.

We are devastated to share that Troy Edward Brookman passed away at 52 years old. He was a lifelong resident of Victoria BC.

He is survived by his mother Jo-Anne Kern, father Ted Brookman (Devina), siblings Tara Brookman, Jason Kern (Shoko), Meghan Kern (Brendan), Liam Smith (Steph) and Aidan Brookman, and his grandmother Robin Kern. He will be greatly missed by his aunts and uncles, his special Aunt Beverly Brookman (Derek Peach), Peter Hatlen (Susan), Lili Wong, Paul Hatlen (Theresa), Patti Barton (David), Judi Weston, Val Jackson (Dave), Leslie Radunz (Marco), and David Kern (Carol).

He was a proud uncle to Tiida, Miia and Clara and loved his cousins Jessica, Krysta, Matthew, Charlene, Kassandra, Jennifer, Vanessa, Maya, Nicole, Mark and Emma – and was thrilled to be a second cousin to Taylor, Jordan, Levi, Ava and Andy.

He was predeceased by his stepfather Bryan Kern who was a large part of Troy's life, grandparents Art and Iris Brookman, Eileen Brookman, Jens and Margaret Hatlen, Gordon Kern, George and Shirley Appleby, cousin Matthew Hatlen, Aunt Debbie Hatlen, and most recently his very supportive Uncle Mark Hatlen.

Troy was a handyman extraordinaire. He rarely came across a problem he couldn't identify a solution for, and then he'd help you fix it. He was amazingly literate in film and video matters, and skilled and unafraid of doing things with tools and vehicles that most of us wouldn't attempt. His knowledge of cars, books, music, trivia and so much more was amazing. We always said he could have been a Jeopardy winner. He loved animals, mostly cats – always ready to scoop them up or to get

down on the floor for a long play. And he also loved dogs, especially Tara's Charlie. His friendliness and easy-going personality, his sense of humour and his fix-it genius will be missed by many, especially by his sisters Tara and Meghan, brother Jason and his Mom. Troy was our go-to guy, and he was a go-to guy for many.

He treasured his networks with family and anyone his nuclear family was connected to. Special mention and thanks go out to a few who touched Troy's life through the years: Sheila Miller, Dorothy Hayward and son James Hayward, Peter and Jools Robbins, Ken and Donna Street, Nick and Judith Kovats, Karen and Pieter Van Rheenan, Sheelagh Barry, Gabrielle Dann, Emily Lyall, Antonio and Alison, and Theresa and Keith Middleton.

Troy faced many challenges in his too-short life and sadly died of an accidental drug overdose. Drugs weren't a part of his life until recently, and it tears our hearts to think of the damage done by those who prey on vulnerable people. We need to do more to deal with this health crisis that is taking so many lives.

Troy loved being outside and walked miles every day. An avid reader, he was a fan of Victoria's local Little Free Library, using his phone app to locate new little libraries on his walks. He enjoyed picking up painted rocks and other free roadside trinkets to anonymously leave in his sisters' yards, but they always knew it was him. He was a kind soul and was so loved.

As a registered organ donor with BC Transplant, Troy would be very proud that his organs made a huge difference to several people. Those wishing to make a donation in Troy's memory could consider BC Transplant, the SPCA or Moms Stop the Harm (www.momsstoptheharm.com).

A Memorial Service to celebrate Troy's life, will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive,

Victoria, BC, on Friday, February 25, 2022 at 2:30pm. A reception will follow the service. The family requests that all those attending Troy's service be vaccinated against Covid-19.

Condolences may be offered to the family below .Service recording can be viewed below.

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