WAYNE DUNN

Wayne, was w very special friend. I am missing him so much already. My heart felt condolences so to Ellen, Amanda and the rest of his family and friends.

Fred Fitzsimmons

May 30, 2025

Our condolences and love to Ellen, Mandy, Peter, Harlow and family at this sad time. I am grateful that Karen and I were able to visit Wayne in the Barrie hospital with Ellen during our trip back to Ontario two weeks ago. Wayne was cheerful and we spent more than an hour trading stories about the good old days. It was great to see him and I can still hear his signature laugh. Wayne has been my friend for almost 50 years. He was also my RCMP partner for more years than I can remember. We travelled extensively together during our work in the RCMP, quite often with skis in tow. We spent a lot of time together! We were so close that if the need arose, we would lend each other socks or other apparel during our travels! We had successful careers together in the RCMP, quite often due to Wayne's creativity and ingenuity. Case in point, one time in Toronto we were following a Mafia associated gangster when the individual unexpectedly headed to the airport and jumped on an Air Canada flight to Montreal. We were unsuccessful in getting on the same flight so we took the corresponding CP flight which left 10 minutes later. En route, we were troubled that we would lose track of our target who would land in Montreal ahead of us. Wayne brazenly approached the captain of our flight and explained the situation. After deputizing the Captain, he hesitantly agreed to contact the Air Canada pilot to request that he slow down his plane so we could land in Montreal first. The plan worked! Wayne and I were waiting for the individual when he departed his flight in Montreal allowing us to finish our investigation. This was one of Wayne's many adventures! Wayne could tell stories! Over the years we traded many tales about our exploits. Each time the stories were bigger and better. Real facts were often distorted in the interest of a more colorful and intriguing narrative. Wayne was a charismatic guy who, at the drop of a hat, could change the dynamics of a situation to his advantage. This allowed him to be a successful undercover operator on numerous occasions in the RCMP. Wayne was a best friend and I will miss him a lot. Rest in peace, Wayne. We will think of you often especially when skiing the mountains. John and Karen Beer Canmore, Alberta

John and Karen Beer

May 31, 2025

Dear Ellen & Family Members Our sincerest condolences to all of you. Dave & Karen Ritchie (Johnston)

Karen E Ritchie

May 31, 2025

Deeply saddened by the recent passing of Wayne. Our sincere sympathies to Ellen and family. He was an inspriational individual and we are glad to have befriended him. Rest in peace, we will miss you.

Christine&Mike Diorio

June 1, 2025

My friendship with Wayne began 50 years ago in the Commercial Crime Section of the RCMP. My last visit with Wayne was in the palliative care unit of the Barrie Hospital. A favourite memory that we revisited during that visit was of the International Police Ski Competition in Trento, Italy. In 1984 Wayne, John Beer, myself and 3 other members of the RCMP represented Canada at this event. After the 5-day competition Wayne, Ellen, Amanda and I drove through scenic mountainous areas of Italy and Austria to St Anton, Austria for another 5 days of skiing. Wayne's passion for skiing and teaching skiing got me hooked of both of these. Among my favourite memories is his great sense of humour and infectious laugh. I miss him very much.

Fred Fitzsimmons

June 3, 2025

Ellen please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of Wayne. Through Wayne’s dear friend John Beer I was periodically kept informed of Wayne’s courageous battle with his illness..I was not as close to Wayne as John and Fred were over so many years. However I do remember those special years in the late 70s and early 80s when we were all young and part of as special group of RCMP investigators who worked hard and loved to have fun. Wayne was one of those special persons that who you wanted to work with and be your friend. He was kind and generous and always there to support the team. His smile and laughter made every get-together a nicer place. He will be missed by many however he left us a most precious gift, he left us the memories of having shared part of our lives with him. May he rest in peace.

Zack Zaccardelli

June 6, 2025

I am so very sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. Sincere condolences to Ellen, Amanda and family. Fond memories of our " get togethers" are forever in my heart. Susan Oake

Susan Oake

June 17, 2025

It is indeed sad to receive the news of Wayne's passing. To think about Wayne brings back a lot of memories of the RCMP, Toronto Commercial Section. A time of fantastic investigations, fun and high jinks. I remember well Wayne's athletic skills, especially skiing. I was just learning on a pair of skies bored from Ross Oak and was trying to not kill myself at Collingwood. I watched Wayne go down the hill and think if I could only do that. I never reached that level but it was fun to dream. My condolences to all of Wayne's family Ron Dicks Surrey, BC

Ron Dicks

June 20, 2025