



Dr Richard Egon Corey Wentzell

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With heavy hearts, the family of Corey Wentzell, Edmonton, AB, announces his sudden passing, September 24, 2014, at the age of 61.

Corey was an elite athlete, distinguished scholar, passionate educator, innovative leader, ultimate achiever, captivating storyteller, and diehard Green Bay Packers and NY Yankees fan.

Following graduation from high school, at the age of 16, Corey accepted a baseball scholarship to the University of Miami, Coral Gables where he also was a member of the JV football team. He continued his education, earning BA Honours (Mount Allison, '73); MA (McMaster, '74), B.Ed (UNB, '75), EdD (University of Maine, '84), and MBA (Richard Ivey School of Business, '94). He also completed Executive Development Programs offered by Harvard, Stanford, and MIT.

Corey was a pioneer and a visionary, touching the lives of many throughout his career as an educator, administrator, project developer, and business executive. These were exemplified by his university teaching, as Vice-President of Learning Development at the Canadian Securities Institute, as

Dean at NAIT's J R Shaw School of Business, as Executive Director, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta and, most currently, spearheading scale-up entrepreneurship and workforce development.

Born November 4, 1952 in Montreal, QC to Charles and Herta (nee Heczko) Wentzell. Beloved husband of 40 years to Brenda (nee Estabrooks) and devoted and loving father to Katherine and Craig. Also mourning his loss are sisters Gretchen (Richard Lowerison) London, ON, and Elizabeth (Keith Vander Beesen) Victoria, BC as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of Corey's life will be held at 6 pm on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 in the Wedgwood Room, Fairmont Hotel MacDonald, 10065 100th Street, Edmonton, AB.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be sent to PEPP London Health Sciences Centre (<http://www.pepp.ca>), the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute, (<http://www.universityhospitalfoundation.ab.ca/WhyGive/Mazankowski>), or to the charity of choice.

To send condolences, please visit Serenity Funeral Service website at www.serenity.ca.

"Death is sad enough when anticipated, but even worse when unexpected"

Tribute Wall



“ *Brenda, I am so sad to learn that Corey passed away. Wayne was reading the UNB Alumni just last week. You guys were such good neighbours and often remember our chats and walks. Katherine and Craig were great "kids" at the time and I am sure they have grown in to great young adults. I am so sorry and my thoughts are with you and your family. Bonnie Snowdon, Fredericton, NB>*

Bonnie Snowdon - June 05, 2015 at 08:16 PM

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“ *I'm so sorry to learn of Corey's passing from the UNB Alumni News. My sincerest sympathy to Brenda, Katherine and Craig. Our whole family was enriched by knowing the warm friendship of the Wentzell family during their time in Fredericton. Sue McClellan Fredericton NB*

Sue McClellan - June 01, 2015 at 11:15 AM

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“ *On literally my first day in the Faculty of Extension, Corey approached me about working together. He showered me with kindness and praise and motivated me to collaborate with him. He was always full of energy, ideas, and kind words. He still had much to contribute and we will miss his warmth and passion.*

Billy Strean - October 02, 2014 at 02:41 PM

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“ *I will remember Corey as a warm, big hearted and big ideas guy who made our workplace fun. Although I knew him for only a brief few years, he was a factor in me staying on my education path. My condolences.*

Sean English - September 30, 2014 at 09:11 PM