

Celebrating the life of
Jack Quarter



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Obituary

JACK QUARTER, a beloved partner, father, uncle, friend, teacher and mentor, died at home on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, aged 77. Jack will be remembered for his kindness, thoughtfulness and sense of humour, as well as for his integrity and dedication to his academic pursuits, his students and colleagues. He will be sorely missed by Dale Willows, his partner of 33 years, his son David, brother Bob, niece Emma, nephew Paul; cousins Marvin Weintraub, Doreen Sobel (Harvey, deceased), Rita Moskovitz (Larry) and their children and grandchildren; his extended family including Kevin Willows, Dennis Willows, Donna, Ernie, Cass, Clay, Michael Reimer, lassen Reimer Pelev and Nasco Pelev; as well as several much-cherished lifelong friends. Sadly, Jack was predeceased by his daughter Zoey. A professor at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) of the University of Toronto for 47 years, Jack was loved and respected by legions of graduate students, colleagues and staff members. He led research teams, obtained numerous grants and edited and published widely on co-operatives and the social economy. In his autobiography he wrote: "I have been blessed by the students who have found me, and they have greatly enriched my life." He also says: "A common denominator in my work is faith in a better way..." A passionate and determined advocate for social justice, Jack "walked the walk", with generous support for numerous programs and non-profits that he encountered in his research. Writing was one of Jack's passions. Beyond his prolific academic writing, Jack dabbled in fiction. He wrote a radio play that was broadcast on the BBC and he authored a novel, *Life of Sammy Speer*, that, despite denials, has a certain autobiographical flavour to it. Jack was not "all work, no play", as those of us who enjoyed his razor-sharp bridge-playing skills can attest. We also observed in awe his energetic cycling during the summers along the spectacular Galloping Goose trail on Vancouver Island. He enjoyed music, especially the "oldies but goodies" and the bawdy songs of his (in)famous friend and long-time "partner-in-crime", Hugh Oliver. Never one to be idle, Jack followed numerous sports on TV and read voraciously. In November, after Jack had been diagnosed with terminal stomach cancer, upon request he "knocked off" a brief autobiography in his own inimitable style that is now the center-piece of a website launched to honour Jack's life. Visit www.jackquarter.org to read what he wrote and view photos chronicling various stages and people in his life.

Please consider donating to the Professor Jack Quarter Memorial Bursary to support students in financial need. All donations will receive a charitable tax receipt. Every dollar raised will be matched by the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE).

Jack Quarter

OCTOBER 16, 1941 - FEBRUARY 6, 2019

Master of Ceremonies

Marcelo Vieta

Assistant Professor, Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, University of Toronto

Program

Leonard Cohen, So Long Marianne

Glen Jones

Professor and Dean, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto

Ed O'Sullivan

Professor Emeritus, Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, University of Toronto

Linda Ronstadt, Goodbye My Friend

Nina Bascia

Professor and Chair, Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, University of Toronto

Charles Pascal

Professor, Applied Psychology & Human Development, University of Toronto

Bob Dylan, The Times They Are A Changin'

Budd Hall

Professor Emeritus, School of Public Administration, University of Victoria

Sherida Ryan

Lecturer, Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, University of Toronto

John Maiorano

Former Doctoral Student, Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, University of Toronto

Jean-Marc Fontan

Professor, Université du Québec à Montréal

Family

Joseph Haydn, Symphony No. 45 "Farewell" – IV Finale: Presto – Adagio

Music (selected by Jack)

Leonard Cohen

Hallelujah

Suzanne

First We Take Manhattan

Last Year's Man

So Long Marianne

Dance Me to the End of Love

Simon and Garfunkel

Bridge over Troubled Waters

Homeward Bound

Sound of Silence

Linda Ronstadt

Goodbye My Friend

Bob Dylan

The Times They Are A Changin'

Blowin' In the Wind

Like a Rollin' Stone

Don't Think Twice It is All Right

Hugh Oliver & Michael Rosenthal

Awful Lot of Sunshine

Riding With the Tide

Beatles

Let it be

John Lennon

Imagine

Righteous Brothers

Unchained Melody

Ben E. King

Stand By Me

Neil Young

Heart of Gold

Joseph Haydn

Symphony No. 45 "Farewell" – IV Finale:

Presto – Adagio

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