



NORMAN HENRY KELLY

**B.A. (Hons.), M.Ed.,
Cert. Guid. and Couns.**

Died peacefully with his family at his side, at 62 years of age, in Toronto on Sunday, September 4th, 2005.

Dearly missed and remembered as an amazing individual who touched so many lives, and for his quirky sense of humour, love of the theatre in all its aspects, pride of Canada, occasional constant flirtatious nature, and maker of industrial strength Caesar salads. Norm always loved a party and was often the last to leave.

He took great joy in helping others grow strong and reach their full potential, and valued his role as mentor to many, many people.

Dearly beloved and loving soul mate, partner and husband of Barbara Datlen-Kelly for 26 years (back to 1979); former husband of Mary Ellen Jamieson; father of Sheila Anne Kelly; stepfather of James Datlen (Dave Cleghorn) of Brampton, Stephen Datlen (Rachel) of Brampton, and John Datlen (Jennifer) of San Francisco; eldest son of Dr. Norman Kelly and the late Helen Kelly (nee McCarthy) of Toronto; brother of Robert Kelly of Toronto and uncle of Katrina Kato Kelly of Toronto; eldest nephew of many aunts and uncles, and eldest of 22 cousins. He will be sorely missed by many friends and former colleagues.

A lifetime resident of Toronto, and graduate of De La Salle (Oaklands), York University and University of Toronto (O.I.S.E.), Norm was a classroom teacher for 12 years and then moved to guidance at the elementary, secondary and board levels in the former M.S.S.B. (now T.C.D.S.B.) for the next 23 wonderful years. He also taught a wide variety of psychology and counseling courses for Humber C.A.A.T., York University and the University of Toronto.

The undisputed "Mayor" of University City, Norm was President of the University City Community Association, President of the Board of Directors of York Condominium Corporation No. 54 for 17 years, Chairman of the North York Secondary Plan Committee for York University, and was Master of Ceremonies for numerous Canada Day celebrations in University City.

His theatrical experience included 25 years with T.C.D.S.B. Staff Arts as both a performer and technical producer and 8 years with Spotlight Music Productions as a performer. He set a shining example of courage by performing 8 different shows while confined to a wheelchair over the last 4 years.

Norm fought a crippling Parkinson's Plus disorder, Multi System Atrophy, for 7 ½ years with grace, courage and determination. Norm's quality of life was greatly enhanced by a dedicated group of 15 friends and neighbours who conducted speech therapy sessions with him on a regular basis for over 3 years. Our deep appreciation for their excellent and compassionate care goes to Dr. Mark Guttman, Jill Burkholder and Janice Stober from the Centre for Movement Disorders; Bonnie Bereskin, Speech Language Pathologist and the Day Hospital staff at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care; Christine Mackie and Jackie Williams from Visiting Homemakers Association; staff at Bellwoods Centre; Valda Lee of St. Elizabeth Health Care; Margaret Wiltshire from Toronto Community Care Access Centre; Maggie Didiano from Canadian Paraplegic Association; and all the staff (especially those on Oxford west) at Kensington Gardens Long Term Care Facility.

Friends may call at the Rosar-Morrison Funeral Home & Chapel, 467 Sherbourne Street (south of Wellesley) on Thursday and Friday, September 8th and 9th from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Parking adjacent to the funeral home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power Street, Toronto (Queen/Power Streets) at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 10th, 2005. Cremation will be held at the St. John's Norway Crematorium.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the following organizations, and sing a song in memory of Norm. Donations to the Centre of Movement Disorders, 2780 Bur Oak Avenue, Basement Level, Markham, Ontario, L6B 1C9, the Parkinson Society of Canada, 4211 Yonge Street, Suite 316, Toronto, Ontario, M2P 2A9 or to Kensington Gardens Long Term Care Facility, 25 Brunswick Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 2L9.



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