



The devastated and heart-broken family of Alan Soobotin of Castlegar wishes to announce his passing after a short and courageous battle with cancer. Alan passed away at his home in Castlegar on Tuesday, May 8, 2012, blessed with 60 years of life.

Alan was born in Grand Forks on July 1, 1951, to parents Nettie and Alec Soobotin. He grew up in Trail, where he graduated from J.L. Crowe Secondary School. His education continued at Selkirk College in Castlegar and culminated with a degree in Bachelor of Science from the University of Victoria. Alan went to work for the Ministry of Environment in Nelson and rose to Eco-System Section Head.

His great love was playing his guitar and singing and he did it on a semi-professional basis all over the Kootenay-Boundary area. Alan also enjoyed cooking and he prepared many gourmet meals. Alan was predeceased by his mother Nettie; Soobotin uncles Paul, Nick, John and Billy and aunt Patsy Nichvalodoff and uncle Nick Nichvalodoff.

Left to mourn his loss are his daughters Brittney and Krista; father Alec; sister Gloria Soobotin; aunt Lucille Faminoff; niece Roxanne Soobotin; nephews Justin, Chas and Shane Soobotin; numerous cousins; ex-wife Lovette Soobotin and the Denisoff side of the family.

Private family Funeral Services were held at Castlegar Funeral Chapel on Monday, May 14, 2012 followed by cremation. Interment of the cremated remains took place at the Shoreacres Cemetery on Tuesday, May 15, 2012.

Arrangements were in care of Castlegar Funeral Chapel.

