It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Wayne Kinakin.

Wayne lived in Castlegar his whole life and was loved by his family and friends. He will be remembered for his commitment to excellence in everything from sports to work. Wayne retired from Zellstoff Celgar after 44 years of well-respected service as an Instrument Mechanic and then continued to pursue his favourite hobby of more work, “touching” many homes in the area. He was affectionately known as Kinso to his teammates and co-workers. As a younger man Kinso participated in basketball, soccer, hockey, softball, broomball and any other sport he could fit into his schedule. He also enjoyed fishing and boating. His good spirit and humour will be missed by everyone who was fortunate enough to know him.

Survived by his wife Barb of 44 fun loving years, son and daughter-in-law Scott and Stacey, daughter and son-in-law Lori and Hugh, beloved granddaughter Anastasia, father Pete, sister Evelyn, and brother Lorne. He was predeceased by his mother Florence.

His service will be held on Friday November 1st at 10.30am, at the Pentecostal New Life Assembly, 602 7th Street, Castlegar. Internment will take place at Park Memorial Cemetery with a luncheon to follow.

We would like to express our sincere thanks for the gifts of love, flowers and food from everyone. The support from our family and friends has helped us through this extremely difficult time. Very special thanks to Janet and Michael Cheveldave for their incredible support. Janet, we don’t know what we would have done without you. We would also like to thank Bill Strilaeff and staff from the Castlegar Funeral Chapel.

We will love you always and forever.