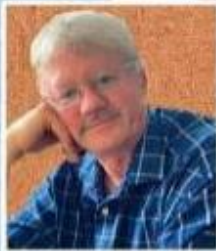


## RANDALL JAMES SWAP

November 23, 1959 – December 8, 2022



It is with broken hearts the family of Randy Swap announce his tragic passing on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at the age of 63 years.

Randy leaves to mourn his loss and cherish his memory, his wife Joanne, two daughters; Bonnie Edwards and her children, Logan, Salara and Conner and Lisa Swap (Jake Vanderweit) and their daughter Natalie, two brothers; Barry (Carol) Swap and Frank (Jammie) Swap, mother and father-in-law, Marie (Midge) and Larry Johnson, sister and brother-in-law Sherri and Lyle Mears as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, and many good friends.

Randy was predeceased by his parents Frank and Edith Swap.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, December 15 at 1:00 at the MacKenzie Centre, Drayton Valley with Interment to follow at the Easyford Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lupus Society of Alberta, 5920 Macleod Trail SW #802, Calgary, AB T2H 0K2 or to the Drayton Valley Horse Club, Box 7645, Drayton Valley, AB. T7A 1S7.

Arrangements in care of Faith Van Manen at: 587 673-1688.  
Condolences may be sent or viewed by visiting [www.draytonmemorial.ca](http://www.draytonmemorial.ca)



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# Councillor dies in collision

## Graham Long

Drayton Valley Free Press

Two men are dead, one of them a Brazeau County councillor, after a motor vehicle collision last Thursday morning.

Breton RCMP were called to the scene on Highway 39 at Range Road 45 at 1:22 a.m. December 8, where a 41-year old man from Red Deer and a 63-year-old from Drayton Valley had died. Police did not release the name of the victims, but the County later confirmed that one of the drivers was Councillor Randy Swap.

It's understood that Swap was returning home from the city at the time of the accident.

"Randy was a caring and kind

person that loved his community," Reeve Bart Guyon said. "He will be missed, and our heartfelt thoughts go out to his family and the family of the other driver."

Swap was a long time local resident with an extensive network of family and friends throughout the community. He was raised on a farm near Easyford and continued to live close to the quarter section he grew up on, where he bred and trained registered quarter horses. He also had a lengthy career in the oil patch starting at the age of 16.

He was elected to represent

Brazeau County's Division 1 at the last municipal election, held in October of 2021. At that time he told the Free Press that he hoped his knowledge of the area would help him be an effective councillor. He stressed the importance of community involvement and supporting your neighbours.

"It has been a stressful few years for businesses and families in Brazeau County, so we need to come together and support each other in all possible ways," he said.

Swap also served on Brazeau County's Agricultural Service Board, most recently as its chair.

Randy Swap served on the Town of Drayton Valley Library Board from October 2021 until his passing on December 8, 2022. Randy was committed to improve services for families in our community. While he was soft-spoken, his voice made an impact. Our Library Board benefitted by adding his voice to our chorus. We are deeply saddened by his loss and extend our heartfelt sympathies to Randy's family, friends, community colleagues and fellow Council members.

**Karen Hickerty**  
Library Board Chair