

27 January 2008



#### A Mother's Day Prayer

Our Father in Heaven whose love is Divine,  
Thanks for the love of a Mother like Mine.  
And in thy great mercy look down from above  
And grant this Mother the gift of your love.  
And all through the year whatever betide her.  
Assure her each day that you are beside her.

And Father in Heaven show m the way

To lighten her tasks  
And bless her dear heart  
With the insight to see,  
That her love means more  
Than the world to me.

*With love from your son  
Andrew (11 years old)*



### The Funeral Of Mr. Andrew Ladislav Dolejsi

On January 19, 2008 Bishop Gérard LaPlante officiated at the funeral of Mr. Andrew Ladislav Dolejsi at the Hamilton Harron Funeral home in Vancouver, BC.

Andrew died at the young age of 26 years, just shy of his 27<sup>th</sup> birthday, which would have been on the day of his funeral. The Chapel was filled to the overflowing with more than 300 people in attendance, mostly young people of his age. Many were crying and upset on the account of his sudden death by a motor vehicle accident.

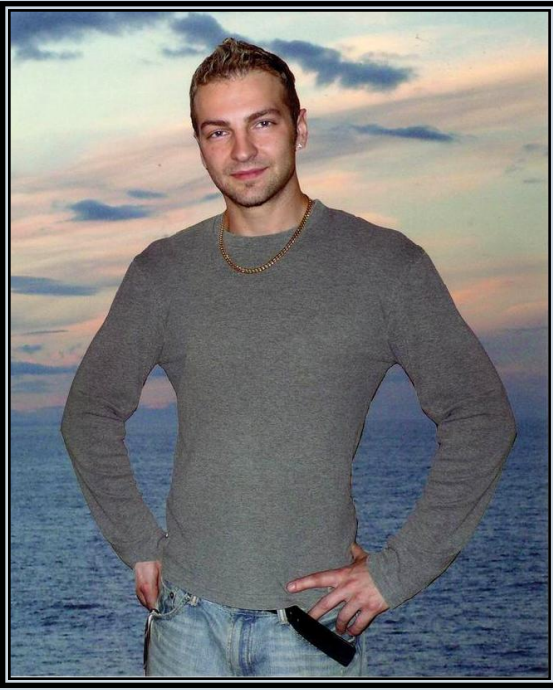
During the funeral service family members and friends had the opportunity to remember him. His father stood up and read a poem he wrote "I miss my son"; it is included in this news item. His brother Douglas admitted that his older brother was always his hero, but now he has to learn to be his own hero. His uncle also remembered him. One of his friends came up and spoke from his heart about how much Andrew loved the people around him. He told the story of his life, when he was living on the street, Andrew came and took him into his place to stay; he literally gave him the shirt off his back. He helped him to quit drugs and find work. "Without Andrew I would be on Skid Row on drugs," he said. Many more individuals stood up and gave a testimony how Andrew had positively influenced their lives and it is too much to list them all here. A video presentation with many pictures showed highlights of his life and was appreciated by all. Because Andrew was also a popular DJ, friends brought speakers and played some of his favorite tunes.

In all, the service took three hours and at the end no one left untouched. It was heart wrenching for the people who knew him to bid farewell to a friend, a young man, full of life and talent, with everything in the world going for him, who loved the people around and who was loved by them.

*May He Rest In Peace*

# Andrew Ladislav Dolejsi

1981 – 2008  
Rest in Peace



## Andrew Ladislav Dolejsi

passed suddenly on Sunday, January 13, 2008 at the age of 26 years. Lovingly remembered and greatly missed by his parents Ladislav and Eva; brother Douglas; grandparents John and Paulina; uncle Ed (Sherry); Vojto (Ameta); and Viola; numerous cousins and relatives around the world and his loving dog Jett. Andrew lived his life to the fullest; he was a popular DJ, enjoyed friends, music, outdoor sports and co-workers at Precision Stairs. He attended VCC and graduated from Collingwood Senior Secondary School.

## I Miss You My Son

I miss you my son,  
one of the bright lights of my  
life - is no more.

I miss you my son with such  
despair,  
knowing that your bright light  
will never be there.

I miss you my son,  
you will always be loved and  
adored.

I can not bring back your  
beautiful smile,  
which made that bright light -  
anymore.

I will miss you my son,  
every day for rest of my life.  
but somehow I must go,  
stay strong as you would want  
me to be,  
stay strong as you would be;  
protecting the rest of my  
lights,  
as they, like me, are dimmed  
and hurting with pain,  
bring them back to their bright  
light to shine,  
shine on your beautiful  
but too short life.

I miss you my son  
I will never forget you.  
one day when we all meet  
again  
your bright light will shine  
together  
with mine for ever and  
again.

I miss you my son  
my love for you will never  
change  
so rest in peace my son  
until we meet again  
your loving dad.

Ladislav Dolejsi

