



DIOCESE OF YUKON †
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From the Office of the Bishop

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It has taken me almost two days to be able to sit down and write this message. I am sorry that I have not been able to issue a message before now. I am truly saddened by the death of our friend and colleague, Terry. At the same time I am relieved that he is now healed as he has been delivered into the arms of the God he loved so dearly and served so faithfully.

In Terry's presence I always knew, beyond any doubt, that here was someone I could trust. I always knew that I was cared for deeply as a child of God. Even when we disagreed with each other I knew I would still be welcomed. I truly appreciated knowing that he stood up for his convictions and that he gave me space to do the same. I remember some of the children years ago in Telegraph Creek, saying "Boy he is really good at the Jumping for Joy". (*a song we sang*). What a perfect description for him. Terry was compassionate, generous, self-giving, honest, trustworthy, and full of joy for Jesus - a true man of God.

Blanche has stood by him and been a tremendous part of the ministry and service to all of us in the Diocese of Yukon and other areas where they served. Blanche, know that you are dearly loved.

I invite the whole Diocese to give thanks to God for the life, ministry and witness of Terry. Give thanks to God for Blanche and the family and ask God to surround them with love, protection and peace.

Holy God, grant us grace to entrust Terrence Buckle to your never-failing love which sustained him in this life. Receive him into the arms of your mercy and remember him according to the favour you bear for your people. **Hear us Lord.**

In love;
+Lesley

We, the Diocese of Yukon, acknowledge that we live and work on the traditional territories of the 14 Yukon First Nations and the First Nations of Northern British Columbia and we give thanks for their generous welcome.