



Vale

Jeffrey Raymond Fry 'Jeff'

Originally hailing from Rockhampton, Jeffrey (Jeff) Raymond Fry lived the final years of his life on Norfolk Island and travelling around Adelaide and the Adelaide Hills with his partner Karen. Jeff leaves behind a lifetime of memories for his family and a legacy of his children Steve and Bec and grandchildren Isaac, Aidan, Autumn, Scarlett and Daphne.

Jeff lived his formative years in Rockhampton with his parents Phyllis and Ronald and his older

brother Trevor. As he grew, the family made the move from Rockhampton to Ipswich where he developed an interest in heavy machinery mechanics. Jeff became a diesel fitter completing his apprenticeship at Hastings Deering, nicknamed Rhubarb as he was always red in the face, and served there for a number of years where he met his first wife Deborah. After a swift romance they were married and had Steven, with Rebecca (or Bec as she prefers) a year later. Over time, Jeff and Debbie went their separate ways however Jeff continued to be an involved father.

In 2000, Jeff experienced a serious Bike accident that left him with a spinal injury requiring the use of a halo and significant rehabilitation for several months. Thankfully Jeff made a full recovery. Following his accident Jeff went on to settle at Wynnum working at the Port of Brisbane as a mechanic.

Jeff was able to complete his trip of a lifetime, riding to Sturgess along Route 66 with his good friends from Wynnum and visiting places like Mount Rushmore, National Parks and to the birthplace of his most prized possession Harley Davidson. During this time, he travelled to places like Italy for work as well as spending time with his children where he could while working shiftwork at the wharf.

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It was living in Wynnum that he met his second wife Terry. The pair married in 2003 and during their years of renovation at their house in Wynnum, Terry bought for Jeff his beloved Tinka. Jeff's best friend from the moment she was brought home as a tiny pup until she passed on Norfolk, Tinka went every with Jeff as his partner in crime. While living in Wynnum Jeff saw the marriage of his daughter Bec to her first husband James and the birth of both of his grandsons Isaac and Aidan; he also was able to see his son Steve marry Sarah. Jeff and Terry separated in 2017, which led Jeff to come over to visit his good friends Eric and Tracey Sweeney on Norfolk Island.

Following this visit to Norfolk Island, Jeff went to the doctor and discovered that he required a quadruple bypass which went well and he got clearance from his medical team in the months following. After capturing his heart, Jeff sold his continual work in progress house at Wynnum and moved to Norfolk Island in 2018. His family, while shocked at this major life decision, were happy to see that he found his zest for life again. Jeff quickly became friends with many of the locals and residents like Miss Betty, George, Kim, Shane and Jane to name a few.

When his family visited the island following his move, Jeff complained of his tireless work week maintaining the gardens at Government House once a week and the difficult life he had chosen to lead following his morning ritual of coffee before a hearty breakfast. His favourite place was Prinke's where he'd often have multiple cups of coffee with his good friends before they headed off to work and he continued to occupy his time with helping others, volunteering and participating in community events.

We'll never forget when he told us he performed in a play, that he played a convincing convict or that he took up performing on his harmonica outside the local (now Salty's) and Prinke. Jeff's impact on the community was certainly felt far and wide and the generosity and kindness from everyone was always extended to his family when they visited. It became tradition for the family to always supply Jeff with at least a box of toilet paper after supply issues had left him short once. Jeff did his best to always teach his children the Norf'k and would often greet them on the phone with Watawieh Yorlye?

In 2023 Jeff welcomed his granddaughter Daphne into his world and on a trip to Brisbane he spent many hours making her laugh. In March 2024, following an emergency medical trip to Brisbane Jeff again suffered from heart issues, Jeff introduced his children to Kaz. Later this year they were able to fly over and attend Bec's wedding to her new husband Aaron and welcomed him and his two daughters Autumn and Scarlet into the family with open arms. After this brief visit, Jeff returned to Norfolk Island and began renovating his house here with Kaz. As they worked to complete the

house renovations in 2024 and 2025, they planned to travel around mainland Australia and purchased a Winnebago. They continued to make plans and book short trips – often working on the camper van between trips and doctor visits as Jeff continued to suffer from other heart and clot related medical issues.

Jeff unfortunately passed on April 26, 2026 on his return with Kaz from the Adelaide Hills to Adelaide. While every effort was made to save him, it was not possible. Kaz stayed with him and contacted the family and began the process of bringing him home to place that he loved that welcomed him warmly. While a shock to all, we value the knowledge that he was travelling with the person that he loved and that he was able to pass quickly.

We acknowledge the deep loss that everyone in the family and Norfolk community is feeling, and the family would like to extend their thanks and appreciation for all of the kind words, photos and memories that everyone from Norfolk Island has shared with Jeff to make this place his home and final resting place. Until we meet again Jeff, guud bai!

Sudoku Number 450 - Medium

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Last week's solution

SUDOKU RULES

Fill in the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. There is no math involved. You solve each puzzle with reasoning and logic. Each puzzle only has one solution.