

Mark Claude Tourigny

1953-2024



It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Mark Claude Tourigny, who left us on June 16, 2024.

Mark was a cornerstone of the BC Athletics community, dedicated to the development and support of young athletes through his work with the Achilles International Track & Field Society and the Vancouver Olympic Club.

His exceptional leadership and commitment significantly advanced the support systems available to athletes, fostering talent and promoting excellence in track and field.

In 2007, Mark established the Jerome Outreach Society, a testament to his passion for using sports as a means to positively impact the lives of disadvantaged children.

Through this organization, he provided invaluable sports programs to numerous Vancouver-area inner-city schools, embodying his belief in the transformative power of athletics.

Mark's dedication extended to his involvement with the Harry Jerome International Track Classic, where he played a crucial role in organizing the Junior Development component.

His efforts to secure sponsorships and ensure the efficient execution of events, particularly the challenging relays, earned him admiration and respect from both athletes and spectators.

A lover of adventure, Mark celebrated significant milestones in his life with extraordinary travels.

His 60th birthday was marked by a trek to Machu Picchu, and at 65, he conquered Mount Kilimanjaro.

Though he had planned to embark on the Annapurna Circuit Trek in Nepal for his 70th birthday, his journey was sadly cut short.

Mark Tourigny's legacy is one of unwavering dedication to athletics and an enduring impact on the lives of countless young athletes.

We honor and remember him for his remarkable contributions and the profound difference he made in the world of track and field.

Reference Full Obituary - [Mark Tourigny | Obituary | Vancouver Sun and Province \(remembering.ca\)](#)