



Vale
Michael Lindsay Sanders
'Dussa'

15th February 1960 - 30th June 2023

The extremely fun filled life of Michael Lindsay Sanders, actually Dussa to you (as he would tull) began on Monday 15th February 1960, when Bill & Sally Sanders were blessed with their 5th baby boy. Micky became a younger brother to Maurice, Willie, Wint, Bebs & Scubbie (dec'd) & then 3yrs later he became the big brother to Mark (dec'd).

Micky from a young age worked hard, played hard, partied hard while running his own money making businesses.

Bill & Sally separated when Micky was quite young & he went to live with his mum, while visiting his Dad & Elaine after school & on the weekends. When visiting them he would do jobs & get paid for doing them, so there for Micky refused to go home to his mum (he was getting paid). So he stayed there, continuing to do his jobs which became chores or board & he never got paid. This got the better of him & he returned home to his Mum. He then continued to visit his Dad & Elaine to do the same jobs & get PAID. Cunning!

Micky started & completed his schooling here at Norfolk Island Central School & it's there that he met this beautiful young blonde, the love of his life Marita Champion. Marita recalls it all started when he asked her to join him at the movies at Roy Totty's.

In 1975 at the age of 15 Micky finished school & the same year joined the Royal Australian Navy. Micky was always proud of his achievements & this particular one; which was always on his resume's

'The Most Outstanding Recruit from 120 Recruits'. He served 6yrs in the Equipment Safety Branch & was discharged in 1981.

During his time away he made a diary, there is a entry for every single day.

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Here he writes: -

26/11/76 - Friday

Place: Sydney / Bondi / Woollahra

Weather: Warm

Bruce (Pawpaw), Chinny, Sputt, Bordo & Micky decide dem gwen out orn town. Dem start de night at The North Bondi RSL, come midnight was time fe start & head Up 'The Cross'.

But to dem's surprise Micky se sleep at da bar, so dem 4 draig hem outt, but when dem get hem outt dem realise he car fet een Sputt's 2 door Monaro. So, in true Norfolk humour dem steal his wallet, putt \$5 een his socks fe da cab or bus ride hoame & roll hem orf da 3ft promenade wall down orn Bondi Beach... Knocked Out Cold orf dem other 4 others go.

Kings Cross Hettae Uwa! 10am the next day bang bang orn da front door at 20 Nelson St, Woollahra. Was Micky en he se covered absolutely head to toe eena sand. Mick, side yu bin we look all about fe yu lars night en we car fine yu. How yu get hoame??

Wal I wake up orna beach, I gutt nothing, no money, absolutely nothing, I walk up gen ar bus stop & I larna dar driver "I'm a Navy Boy & I'm Lost". He drop me orf orn Oxford St, Kings Cross. (walking distance to ya)

It seems The Cross was the go to place fe all dem young Norfolk Boys, Hmm! Another night out and another night dem se fulll (bin ninny).

There are so so many great stories that we could go orn about, but we gwen lubbee da fe later orn at the Leagues.

Once Micky was discharged in 1981 from the Navy he & Marita returned to his Island hoame, Norfolk Island.

They soon married on the 15 October 1983 & very soon after on the 04th February 1984 they welcomed their 1st son Jay Michael & with no stuffing around the following year on the 27th March 1985 they welcomed their 2nd baby boy Zach William. Micky just adored his 2 boys & it showed with all the photos that he had hung around his house. These 2 boys produced for Micky 4 beautiful grandsons Mace Michael, Charlie-Fynn, Archie Jay & Sage (The one whom is so much like his grandad).

In 1988 a young New Zealand girl working on Norfolk at the time, met & fell in love with Micky's charm, they began dating & produced yet another baby boy for Micky. Jesse Sanders-Taylor was born 21st November 1989. Jesse has come from Brisbane & is here with us today.

Micky was an amazing gardener, particularly fruit trees & lawn care. He would enter his prize gardens in the local Agriculture & Horticulture Show & won 6yrs running. He was adamant he was the bas garden orn Island...

He loved his sport a lot. I can confirm as I'm 1/2way through reading his diaries that he would pound the pavement most nights after dinner, go to boxing

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Expressions of Interest

Chef - NIHRACS

NIHRACS has a vacancy for a Chef. Full-time position, 38 hours per week and part-time hours will also be considered.

Shifts are 6.00am to 2.30pm.

The Chef will be providing a range of nutritious meal services for patients at Norfolk Island Health & Residential Aged Care Service to enable the Norfolk Island Health & Residential Aged Care Service to achieve their objectives in a timely, reliable and efficient manner.

Selection Criteria:

1. Recent food services experience in a commercial setting, preferably a hospital, aged care facility or nursing home environment, including meeting the requirements of customers with food allergies and food texture modification.
2. Demonstrated good customer service skills.
3. Food handling certificate or equivalent recognised course on safe food handling.
4. Demonstrated experience in menu preparation
5. Sound knowledge of Work Health Safety, Infection Control and Manual Handling principles.
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7. Demonstrated ability to prepare and negotiate food orders within budget and ensuring minimal food wastage

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Closing date: COB Thursday 21 July 2023

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training or head to the pinnies! He played prop for his beloved Blues (Longridge Rugby League Club).

He certainly was the most outstanding player every game he played. He was a staunch supporter of the Balmain Tigers.

1992 saw him leave Norfolk for 6mths & head to Bathurst, their he was a Brickies labourer, returning home for the other 6mths. Dussa then won the contract working for the NI Government orn Pothole Patrol & General Maintenance.

2001 he purchased a Water Delivery Services (but we carside he was getting dem water). He also built a shed & it's there that he started a nursery selling garden products & stockfeed. During this time, he also works for his Dad & Beb's - At The Islands biggest hotel & was the sole gardener of the 6 acres.

He quotes on his resume: All my gardening knowledge has been self-taught!

Micky & Jilly McCoy were also partners in crime for many years. While working for the Islands biggest hotel here he met chef Sharnelle Seeto, they soon became parents to Rhys & Bethany born on Island before moving to Mt Isa for work & there they had Miss Grace. Unfortunately, they are not here with us today.

Micky, well named Dussa by this time in his life made many many friends & gave us all many awesome memories. Shanara & Jonesy are 2 that we would love to Thank for there care, love & friendship to our Dussa!

Oh, I could go orn & orn about myse legendary Uncle Duss!

Anyway Dad, Grandad, Brother, Uncle, Cousin & Mate good things always come to-an end.

Rest in Peace Please!

The Family is overwhelmed by the fun, naughty & adventurous stories. The love & support you have given is appreciated so much. Thank You Yorlye!

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Mys Darlen Duss,
Mys heart sa break, and I jess car imagine how life gwen be driven past
yose house and nor being able fa call in for a cuppa, or a ninny, you always welcomed me even off you hada moon.

You were one of a kind and I gwen really mess you. Especially yose stories, knowledge in a garden, jokes and singen. I could almost ya you singen, I did it my way.....

Until we meet again, Rest een Peace Cuzz, I know you will be well received up there with all our loved ones.

Forever in mys heart.
Love yose bass cousin Poll X X

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Duss,
You'll always be myse unforgettable uncle & Pete's favourite Uncle Duss!How can we forget someone like you? You have filled my heart with so so many fun memories, letters, quotes & special chats.

I'll love & miss you forever.
Love Caris, Pete, Taj & Mim X X

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Well Michael,
You got your wish and that when it was time to leave the Earth you were going to do this on Norfolk Island, a place you called home and were very proud of. This you expressed to me many times. To be at home with friends and family.

Now you're out of your body, there's no more pain, no more struggles and no more battles to fight. You are free. You are now probably having a good old laugh with your mum, dad, brothers, Willamoo and ones who have passed before you and hopefully are all celebrating your journey over and awaiting your new one to begin.

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Regardless of our own journey together, within it had its challenges faced together and apart. Towards the end of your life the conversations we created became more peaceful and calm and at times I could see that cheekiness inside you pop its head out.

There were many memories created on this journey we took together, and it has definitely imprinted on my spirit that I am forever thankful for and also grateful for the life I chose to have with you.

First, The birth of our 3 children

Second, When you were excited when Jay and Zach were coming back home after being away for so long.

Third, Healing of the rift with your Dad and Elaine

Fourth, The relationship you had with your brothers however turbulent but nonetheless you were able to communicate with each other in some form.

Fifth, Especially how you loved your gardens it was like you and mother nature were on your own separate journey together.

There are many more memories which I'm sure you will all share amongst each other.

We all have the light of innocence within us which we don't allow it to show enough.

I'm pretty sure you came to visit me on Sunday in Spirit to say goodbye. I had an urge to go out to the backyard and somehow ended up looking at the lemon tree that was in its pot for over 1 month and a half. And knowing how you disliked that very much, something compelled me to plant it in the ground. So now she's in the ground.

Our daughters Bethany and Grace especially Grace loves growing her own Fruit and Vegetables pants from scratch, so that part of you has imprinted on them. Rhys however has your height and features. So, I guess he will find his own journey in this world.

I'm sure you will be guiding them in some way or another.

So until we meet again as we all have to cross over at some point.

Sending you with Love

Love Sharnelle, Bethany, Rhys and Grace X X

Sent from a coconut tied to a piece of string, not a iPhone everyone has one of those.

Thank You

The Sanders family would like to say a huge thank you to the pall bearers, Shane and the grave diggers, Tardy, the wreath makers, those that gave food, and everyone that offered their support and well wishes following the passing of stepson, brother, uncle, grandfather, good friend and best mate Dussa.

Thank You From Me

Firstly, I personally would love to thank myse two cousins Jay & Zach for trusting in me to help them. I feel honoured to have done this for you both & I hope its all that myse Uncle Duss would want.

I want to thank Emily & Tilly for helping me with organising & the love & care of myse cousins & there little boys Mace, Charlie-Fynn, Archie & Sage.

Shelly Ruka for being that extra special person that she is - Thanks Shell X X

Thank you to EVERYONE else that helped us in anyway they could large or small. The list is endless, but you know who you are.

To the family members that flew into say goodbye Jesse, Mott, Wint, Warren, Stacey, Chris, Mylee, Janette, Uncle Choom & Tina, Thank you!

Lastly a massive thank you to the main ones that always stand by me when I need them, Pete & our babies Taj & Mim. You three are my everything I LOVE YOU.

Thanks to each & everyone of you

Love Carissa x x x

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