

The Reverend Jay Warren Ettinger  
1960-2021

It is with great sadness that we share news of the passing of Reverend Jay Ettinger, age 60, of Valley, Nova Scotia on Saturday, February 27, 2021. Husband of Marty Clark-Ettinger, beloved son of Vivian and the late Claddie Ettinger, brother of Steve Ettinger, and uncle to nephews, Kendall and Heath. Jay is also survived by one aunt, three uncles and numerous cousins. Born in Montreal, Jay went on to live in the Yukon, Toronto, Los Angeles and finally settled in Nova Scotia. During his younger years, Jay was a multi-talented performer, acting in musical theatre and in movies. In Los Angeles he turned his hand to writing and directing. An accident in 1994 changed the trajectory of Jay's life and led, in the universe's mysterious way, to receiving a calling to ministry. But first, he faced a daunting challenge – getting his undergraduate and graduate degrees. Jay was gifted in many areas, but he excelled in academics, earning a Master of Arts from St. Mary's University AST and Master of Divinity from Queens University in Ontario. Being a minister was the job Jay was most proud of. He led charges in Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and eventually became minister at Saint Andrew's United Church in Truro, Nova Scotia. Jay was a gifted clergyman who brought an infusion of music, joy and deep compassion to the members of his congregation. He will be sorely missed. The world is a sadder place without Jay in it. But heaven is rejoicing.

A private funeral service was held at Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro, NS, on March 7, 2021.