

Brampton man dead in crash on Highway 10 in Caledon



By Joshua Santos

A 29-year-old Brampton man died in a tragic crash on Highway 10 in Caledon on Tuesday, March 5.

Jason Goodlip of Brampton was pronounced dead on the scene, according to Caledon OPP. Another driver was transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Peel Paramedics were on scene of the multi-vehicle collision. They received the call at about 9 a.m.

Goodlip leaves behind his pregnant fiancée Karolena Laupee. She was due to give birth in late July. They have been together for two years. Laupee said words cannot explain how she feels right now, other than she's in shock.

"I can't believe you're gone," Laupee wrote on social media, with photos of her and Jason. "You were my everything plus more! We have our daughter coming in a couple months and I promise you I will never let her forget how much of an amazing dad you are and person! I'm never going to forget about you. My life is never going to be the same. Rest in Peace my angel until we meet again."

Laupee declined a request to be interviewed. Her mother, Melanie Jesso, said the family is trying to process the incident. She said Goodlip will be greatly missed.

"We're just trying to cope minute to minute and trying to come to grasp with everything," said Jesso

She described Goodlip as free spirited, caring, loving, always happy and up for an adventure.

"He was very genuine," said Jesso. "Always out to help people, always thinking about other people before himself. An awesome boyfriend and fiancée. He was going to be an awesome father. I don't have enough to say about him. There's really no words to describe Jason."

She said Goodlip was always looking out for Laupee, making sure she was okay.

"With the baby coming, he was all over the moon," said Jesso. "He couldn't wait to be a father. He was always there for her."

Jesso said she was ecstatic to be a grandmother when her daughter told her that she was pregnant with Goodlip.

Jesso said they're 80 per cent sure Goodlip will be buried. They're not sure when the funeral will be held, but they're looking at hosting it next week.

?I just want to thank everyone that has been here for us,? Jesso said. ?He'll never be forgotten. He'll live on in his daughter.?

Caledon OPP, on Twitter, said Highway 10 between King Street and Old School Road was closed. Traffic collision investigators surveyed the scene at about 5 p.m. The collision involved several motor vehicles with different amounts of damage.

Police have asked the public to be on the lookout for an older model black sedan with a rear driver's side damage.

Caledon OPP is appealing to the public for additional witnesses of this collision. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective Constable Shaun Holmes of Caledon OPP detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

A GoFundMe page has been set up in Goodlip's honour. About \$1,380 have been raised by 26 people in 13 hours with a goal of \$7,500, as of press time. Funds from the online campaign will be used to offset some of the funeral costs.

?The support from people is overwhelming,? said Jesso. ?We cannot thank them enough for everyone that has donated. We just want everyone to know that, every penny that is raised, is going to help Karolena and be put away for the baby.

?I can't believe the outpour of phone calls, and emails and messages on Facebook from everyone to me and my daughter and my whole family. It really means a lot that everyone is being very supportive and thinking of us.?

To donate to the campaign, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/tragic-loss-of-boyfriend-amp-father>.