Danny Goldberg, P.Eng., was a graduate of the University of Toronto Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering (Electrical Engineering, OT8), and he worked as a telecommunications engineer at a power company after graduation. Danny was smart, kind, and funny. He loved music, and, above all, he was dedicated to his family and friends. Tragically, Danny passed away in 2017 at the age of 32 from a brain tumour. He is missed by all who knew him. Established in 2019 by Danny’s wife, Aliza, the Danny Goldberg Memorial Scholarship honours and celebrates Danny’s life.

As an engineering student, Danny was proud to be part of the Skule™ community. Danny was involved in a wide range of extracurricular activities, from being a Leedur during Frosh Week to building a soccer-playing robot as part of an international robotics competition. Danny completed his Professional Experience Year (PEY) Co-op placement at Bell and went on to work at Hydro One after graduation.

With a life-long passion for music, Danny played with his band almost every weekend, as well as in the annual Hydro One’s Got Talent charity show. Danny enjoyed sharing his love of music with others and took joy in learning new instruments and techniques. Scholarship preference will be given to a student with a demonstrated interest in music and involvement in the Skule™ community.

Danny was proud to earn his Professional Engineering Licence in January 2017, despite the health challenges he faced at that time. He had been looking forward to celebrating his achievement with his family at the licence recipient ceremony in May 2017, but sadly his family had to accept his licence on his behalf a few weeks after his death. Though heartbroken, Danny’s family and friends could not have been prouder of him, and they continue to celebrate Danny’s life and his spirit that is still with them.

Aliza has chosen to honour her husband through the establishment of this scholarship because of how much Danny loved learning and teaching others, particularly when it came to engineering. Danny’s own learning didn’t stop when he graduated; his involvement in a variety of projects at work and his personal interests always kept him motivated to expand his knowledge and further develop his skills. Danny always made time to teach and mentor PEY Co-op students working with his group at Hydro One, providing them with individual attention and guidance.

Danny was truly part of a community at each stage of his life, and this scholarship will be made possible by all of the friends, family, colleagues, classmates, and individuals touched by Danny and his story. It is one small way to ensure that Danny’s legacy lives on and that he is always remembered for the kind and generous person that he was.

Your contribution to this needs-based scholarship will mean that deserving students can be supported in Danny’s memory, making them better-equipped for learning and achieving their own career goals.

In support of this special campaign, the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering will match all contributions dollar for dollar (up to $20,000) – doubling the impact of your support. We hope to be able to raise enough to make the Danny Goldberg Memorial Scholarship an endowed fund, meaning that many future generations of engineers will be positively impacted by Danny’s legacy.

Thank you.