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Memorial service Friday in Hunter River for cyclist killed by drunk driver



Elizabeth Ann Sovis and her husband, Edmund Aunger while on a bicycling vacation in P.E.I. on July 13, 2012. Sovis was hit by a vehicle and killed the next day. ©Photo courtesy of the Edmonton Journal

Elizabeth Sovis died five years ago after a drunk driver hit her with his van while she was cycling in P.E.I.

On Friday, her husband Edmund Aunger is holding a memorial service in Hunter River to mark the anniversary of her death.

The Alberta couple was cycling on Rennies Road during a 2012 vacation when Clarence Arnold Moase hit Sovis with his van.

Moase was sentenced to six years in prison for drunk driving causing death.

The service, which is open to the public, will be held at Central Queens United Church in Hunter River at 3 p.m. followed by a time of meditation and prayer at the site where Sovis died on Rennies Road.

There will also be a reception in the church hall.

Since his wife's death, Aunger started a petition calling on the federal government to set minimum safety and quality standards for the Trans Canada Trail, including taking it off roads.