

JOHNSTON

Ed Johnston: 1939 - 2008

Condolences and memories:

P.O. Box 158, Water Valley, AB T0M 2E0

Donations in memory of Ed welcome:

Bear Valley Horse Rescue

Site 6, Box 19, RR 2, Sundre, AB T0M 1X0

or

Alberta Wilderness Association

P.O. Box 6398, Station D, Calgary, AB T2P 2E1

We are grateful for the tremendous kindness we have received from so many people.

MURPHY

After losing a courageous battle with cancer, Doreen Murphy passed away February 15, 2008 at the Sundre Hospital at the age of 86 years. She was born April 16, 1921 at Bergen. Her family moved to the Balzac area where she met and married her husband, Bill of 58 years. It was here that they farmed, ran a service station and a trucking company, hauling milk and grain and raised their family. In 1977, Doreen and Bill relocated to Bergen, continuing to farm the land of Bill's parents, Gerald and Myrtle Murphy. Doreen was predeceased by her husband Bill in 2004, her brothers Tom, Les, Stan (Jensen) as well as 3 great-grandchildren. She is survived by her daughters Diana (Wayne) Doiron of Irricana, Judi (Bill) Brose of Sundre; son Darryl (Connie) Murphy of Sundre; grandchildren Leanne (Warren) Pharis of Manning, Kori (Joel) Steenhardt of Crossfield, Dallas Doiron of Carbon, Michel and Sheryl Murphy of Sundre; great-grandchildren Ward, Clay and Levi Pharis, Sarah and Scarlett Steenhardt and one sister Vi Burwash of Airdrie. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the Bergen Missionary Church with Pastor Stuart Swanson officiating. Interment followed at the Bergen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made directly to the Sundre Palliative Care or Canadian Cancer Society. As a tribute to Doreen Murphy, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd, Sundre entrusted with arrangements. 403-638-4393. Telephone 216-5111.

CODERRE

September 18, 1931 - February 29, 2008

Roger Joseph Coderre was born in Dollard, Saskatchewan on September 18, 1931 to George and Anna Coderre. Due to the dust bowl of the 30's, the family moved to Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan in 1937, where they farmed until 1950 when a move was made to Rolling Hills, Alberta. There, Roger spent his life farming and later taking over the family farm. During those years at James River Bridge, Roger was involved in saw milling, mechanical work among other occupations in order to make ends meet. Around 1977 Roger met Elly HoEVERS. Roger and Elly were married on October 27, 1978. They were blessed with a daughter Yvonne (Paul) and later five grandchildren, Jesseca (Josh), Abigale, Gabrielle, Paulson, and Emily. Roger and Elly sold the farm and moved to Sundre in 1989, where they built a house and dealt in real estate. In 2002 they sold the house in Sundre and bought an acreage east of Sundre where they built a new home and resided there until his passing on February 29, 2008. Roger is survived by his wife Elly, daughter Yvonne, five grandchildren - Jesseca (Josh), Abigaile, Gabrielle, Paulson and Emely. Three brothers, Leo - James River, Omer (Brenda) Rocky Mountain House, Rolland (Anita) - Calgary, five nephews, and two nieces, also numerous cousins and second cousins. Roger was predeceased by one brother in 1973, his father in 1980, his mother in 1990, and also a nephew in 1976. Funeral services were held at the Catholic church in Sundre on Friday, March 7, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. Cremation took place. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the James River Hall Building Fund.

COOK

February 29, 1920 - March 2, 2008

Mr. Donald James Cook of Didsbury passed away suddenly at his home on March 2, 2008 at the age of 88 years. Don, the seventh of nine children was born in St. Paul, Minnesota to John and Ottillia Cook. They immigrated to the Monitor area when Don was 11 months old. He stayed in this area working on farms until he went overseas. After he was discharged in 1946, he moved to Lobley to live with his sister and brother in law, Alice and Albin Likeness. It was here Don decided to become a shoemaker and opened his shoe repair by the theatre in Sundre. Years later when 'the mall' was built he opened Don's Men's Wear and Saddlery with a shoe repair in the back. Don married Joyce Twedt on February 20th, 1965 and immediately inherited what was to become a large family. They worked together at the store until they retired to the Creston area in 1978 and for 21 years were snowbirds. Then in November, 2001 Don and Joyce returned to Alberta and settled in Didsbury to be close to family. Don passed away peacefully at home with his wife by his side. During his life Don was an avid sportsman and active in the community. He had a band and played often at community dances. Don will be remembered fondly by many for his stubby cigar he always had in his mouth. He is survived by Joyce, his wife of 43 years. Wendy Davies of Didsbury. Tom Twedt and his friend, Pam of Bearberry, Laurie (Glenda) Twedt of Lethbridge. Grandchildren: Stephan, Sean (Wanda), Cory (Brandy) Davies, Jenaya Twedt, Cliff (Crystal), Jeff (Corina), Greg (Stephanie), Phillip (Andrea), Amanda (Chris) and Calvin Twedt. Great Grandchildren: Vincent, Cameron, Courtney, Jaden, Shekhina, Grace, Jade-Lynn, Madison, Kaedynce, Kalen, Aeris, Haiden and Lucas. One Great-Great Grandson, Jason. He is also survived by sisters: Alice and Evelyn and one brother, Lyle, as well as many nieces and nephews. A celebration of Don's life will be announced / held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Don's honor may be directed to the Alzheimer's Society of Alberta, 10531 Kingsway Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta T5H 4K1. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, 5226 - 46 Street, Olds, Alberta (403) 556-3223. Proudly serving the community for over 45 years.

SILVESTER

W. Harold Silvester Ph.D, C.A., C.P.A

August 17, 1926 to January 31, 2008

Husband, father, grandfather, friend, accountant and educator, Harold devoted his life to the service of others. He had the unique ability to communicate kindness and genuine concern - he will be missed. Born in Claresholm, Harold grew up on a homestead near Barrhead, Alberta. He started his working career as a radio service operator in northern Alberta. He married Viola Mitchell in October 1951 and began a new career as an accountant at Sundre Motors and for the Town of Sundre. After the birth of his three children and a successful occupation as a lay minister in Alberta (in addition to his work at Sundre Motors), Harold went on to complete his accounting education. He taught at Northwest Nazarene College and Boise State University before moving to the University of Saskatchewan. He was very proud to receive student recognition for his innovative, effective, and caring teaching skills. In cooperation with a colleague, he co-authored the best selling accounting text in Canada. After retiring from the U of S, Harold moved to Olds and began an active post-retirement career in public accounting where he enjoyed mentoring staff and clients in business skills. Harold and Vi moved to Calgary in 2004. Harold is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Viola (nee Mitchell); son Dan (Karen); two daughters Dianne (Jay) and Susan; 7 grandchildren Erin, Richelle, Megan, Scott, Kevin, Lauren and Cameron; one great-granddaughter Zoe; 3 brothers Ken, Ramon and Walter; one sister Rita as well as numerous nieces, nephews and many friends. In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate donations to the Parkinson Society, the Harold Silvester Scholarship at the University of Saskatchewan, or to the Mennonite Central Committee. As a tribute to Harold Silvester, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610.

ERICKSON-MEWHA

(nee BISHOP)

1922 - 2008

Mrs. Helen Bishop-Erickson-Mewha, passed away peacefully at the Red Deer Hospice on Friday, March 14, 2008 at the age of 86 years. Helen was born on March 12, 1922 at Cereal, Alberta. She spent many years teaching in country schools, finishing her long and dedicated career in Cremona. Helen and Harold raised their family while they built and operated a successful business in Elkton. Her life was filled with her family, furthering her education and volunteer contributions to the community ladies groups and the curling club. Helen moved to Red Deer following Harold's passing and her retirement. She served many years as a volunteer and board member at the Golden Circle and the Red Deer Museum. In her retirement years Helen wrote her memoirs which are published in a book "Enduring Love". In 2000 Helen received the Mayor's Recognition Award for Citizenship, Continuous Voluntary Service. Throughout her life, Helen's strength of purpose and her commitment inspired all those who knew her. She is lovingly remembered by her large family, three children, Sylvia (Reza) Nasserri of Edmonton, Diane (Walter) Kubanek of Red Deer, Lorne (Lori) Erickson of Bentley, ten grandchildren, David Layden (Shannon), David Nasserri (Johanna), Shaheen Nasserri, Michael Nasserri, Walter Kubanek (Amy), Emily Bonnet (Laurent), Erica Kubanek, Clinton Erickson (Anna), Jenna Erickson, Brett Erickson, four great grandchildren, Coulter and Kyli Layden, Lukas Nasserri and Alexander Kubanek, a brother, George Bishop, two sisters, Marion McLellan, Dorothy Bishop and her three step-children and their families, Priscilla Popilchak, Don Mewha and Kay Berggren. Helen was predeceased by her loving husband Harold Erickson, her second husband, Bill Mewha, her parents, Clinton and Laura Bishop and a brother, Duane Bishop. A Celebration of Helen's Life will be held during the last week of March. For further information in regards to the date and time of the service please contact, Eventide Funeral Chapels by phone at (403) 347-2222 or by e-mail, eventide@telusplanet.net. Memorial donations in Helen's honour may be made directly to the Golden Circle, 4620-47 Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta, T4N 6C3, Red Deer Hospice Society, 99 Arnot Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta, T4R 3S6 or to the Alberta Lung Association, Box 47400, Stn. S, Edmonton, Alberta, T6E 9Z9. Condolences may be forwarded to the family at www.eventidefuneralchapels.com Service and Cremation Providers: EVENTIDE FUNERAL CHAPELS, 4820 - 45th Street, Red Deer. Phone 403-347-2222.