

FAICKNEY

August 6, 1920 - May 10, 2008

It is with great sadness the family announces the passing of Robert (Bob) Faickney, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Bob will be lovingly missed by his wife of 63 years Bernice. He also leaves to mourn his passing nine children; Rusty (Terry) of Sundre, Ab.; Marsha (Miles) of Winnipeg, Man.; Geordie (Sherry) of Calgary, Ab.; Miles (Charlotte) of Saskatoon, Sask.; Kathleen (John) of Mission, B.C.; Karen (Carl) of Thompson, Man.; Ian (Sheila) of Mission, B.C.; Bonnie of Sundre, Ab.; and Tim of Winnipeg, Man.; 24 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Bob was born in Glasgow, Scotland, only son to Geordie and Annie Faickney and brother to two sisters Jean and Margaret. Bob served in W.W.2 from 1939 to 1945 and was a lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Burntwood Branch #224 in Thompson, Manitoba where he served as president for several years. He worked for INCO in Thompson from 1962 until his retirement in 1985. Bob was predeceased by his parents and both sisters. A private family service will be held at Mountain View Chapels in Olds, Ab.

KRUGER

1925 - 2008

Richard was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He was the youngest of seven boys born to Gustav and Otillie Kruger, on May 25th, 1925 in Poland. Richard married Elli on December 23rd, 1948 in Goslar, Germany. In 1951, they left their homeland on the "Beaverbrae" ship and moved to Eagle Valley to start their new life in Canada. Otto, the eldest son was 9 years old when they immigrated to Canada and Sigfried was a toddler, learning to walk on the long boat trip to Canada. Richard and Elli moved a couple of times during their first few years before settling on the land, which the family still owns today. Their family was completed in 1954 with the arrival of their youngest son Arnold. Richard and Elli worked together clearing land and farming since they came to Canada. Richard was proud to be a farmer and loved to work on the land and enjoyed his cattle. As the years passed and Arnold joined in the farming, Grandpa loved to keep him running, from cutting hay, raking, baling, stacking, cutting, raking, baling, stacking, hurry, hurry, hurry. Every bale was money! He was the happiest when he was on the tractor baling hay, had Arnold running in all directions and had Jane on the combine! As the grandchildren started arriving, he was very happy as he hoped some of them would be interested in farming! His grandchildren were his pride and joy. Richard was predeceased by his wife Elli, and all of his siblings, parents and his great grandson, Richard Polei Jr. Richard leaves to mourn his sons: Otto (wife Colleen) Polei, their children Richard and Katherine and family of Calgary, Sigfried, and his daughters Tanya and Shawna and families of Olds, and son Kevin and daughter of Calgary; Arnold (wife Jane) and their sons, Greg and Ryan of Eagle Valley. He also leaves to mourn his loving and devoted caregiver Gloria Bustamante and many relatives in Germany. Memorial donations in Richard's honour may be made to the Olds Hospital and Care Centre (Continuing Care Unit), 3901-57 Ave. Olds, Alberta T4H 1T4. A Memorial service was held on Saturday, May 17th, 2008 from Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Olds. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from www.mem.com. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Olds. Phone 556-3223. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

REED

Peter John Reed passed away peacefully at his home in Olds on May 13th 2008 at the age of 71 years. Peter was born in Devon, England and was an Elementary School Teacher for many years before immigrating to Canada with his wife, Jennifer in 1990. For the last 18 years they resided on an acreage Southwest of Olds and he had been an active participant at many local Farmers Markets within the community as Rosebud Creek Herbs. He moved to Olds in the Fall of 2007 after being diagnosed with Cancer. Peter is survived by his wife of 50 years, Jennifer Reed of Olds, son David Reed of Cornwall, England and daughter Mairi deLeon of Calgary. In keeping with Peter's wishes a gathering will be held on Sunday May 25th 2008. Please stop by between 3:00pm-7:00pm to share memories of Peter with his wife, daughter and other friends. Call 403-556-1392 for location details. In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate donations in Peter's name to be sent to Olds Hospital - Palliative Care Unit. Cremation entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Olds. Phone 556-3223. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

MASTIN

Lola Myrtila Mastin (nee Steen)

1919 - 2008

Lola was welcomed into the presence of her Lord on May 7, 2008 while residing at the Sundre Long Term Care Centre. Lola was born February 21, 1919 at Nanton to Howard and Susie Steen, moving to Sundre at an early age with her parents. She wasn't among the first settlers to Sundre, but she remembered when there were only six buildings in Sundre and five girls her age in the area to play with. Two of those girls, are still living in Sundre and were lifelong friends. She trained as an RN at the Royal Alexander Hospital in Edmonton graduating in 1942. She worked for a while at the Olds and Didsbury hospitals as well as one summer as a camp nurse at Lake of the Woods. She took a year off in 1946 to attend the Western Canadian Bible Institute in Regina. Lola also did some home care nursing and it was while working in Eagle Valley in 1949 that she met and later married Roy Mastin December 10, 1949. They farmed together and raised their family in the district. Lola was a survivor, growing up through the depression and later experiencing many hard times. For five of her first seven years of marriage, they were hauled out 100%. Their first son, Cary, was born in 1957 and Bob arrived in 1958. After retiring to Sundre in 1984, Lola became a volunteer at the Lodge for many years, as well as the thrift store, and knitted for the hospital auxiliary. For a while she was a volunteer driver around Sundre and area. She helped out where ever she could, including many hours of working on the Sundre history book. She was also able to do some travelling, enjoying several well deserved holidays with her husband. Lola was a long time faithful member of the Eagle Hill Community Church. She was also a founding member and active in the ladies mission circle. Lola believed true joy was in giving, not receiving, and lived her life this way to the very end. One mourner's comment summed it up so well: "Lola was such a special person. Always thinking of others and wanting to do something for them". She valued family and friends and lived her life such that she was an inspiration to those around her. She will be sadly missed by those who knew and loved her. Lola was pre-deceased by her husband, Roy in 1991. Lola is survived by sons Cary (Carolyn) of St. Michael and Bob of Sundre, four grandchildren, Heather, Christine, Stephen and Michael, one great grandson, Kyle, and one brother, Charley Steen of Airdrie. Funeral services were held at Eagle Hill Community Church May 10, 2008 with Pastor Harry Johnson officiating. Interment followed at the Eagle Valley Cemetery. Memorial donations may be directed to the Sundre Long Term Care Centre.. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

SMITH

Ruth Elizabeth Smith of Olds, passed away peacefully on May 22, 2008 surrounded by her family at the Olds General Hospital and Care Centre. Ruth and her twin brother Carl were born to Bertha and Oscar Selstrom on February 26, 1919. They were the second youngest of a family of eight, growing up in the Burnt Lake area. She was married to Thomas Smith on January 28, 1942 in Red Deer. Ruth started her married life in Granum while Tom was in the R.C.A.F in Claresholm. After the war and the birth of their second daughter, she moved to Sechelt, BC, and later moved to their farm in the Eagle Hill area. They then moved to a farm in the Two Hills district. When Tom became ill, they moved back to Olds where she lived until her passing. She enjoyed her friends, family and especially her grandchildren. She loved to putter in her garden and enjoyed visiting with her many friends and neighbors. Ruth will be lovingly remembered by her two daughters Judith (Patrick) Morgan, Edna (Brian) Leatherdale; grandchildren Shannon Morgan, Lori (Barry) Greening, Tammy Graham, Scott (Sandy) Leatherdale, Tanya (Murray) Schaber, Todd Leatherdale, Shawna Leatherdale; great-grandchildren Christopher Graham, Kendall and Austin Greening, Zackary and Zane Leatherdale, Reanne, Emma, Isabelle, Chloe and Elise Schaber and her only sister Levina Poteet. Ruth was predeceased by her husband Thomas, sisters Olga Mannerfeld, Anne Leithead, brothers Hugo, Roy, Gordon and Carl Selestrom. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2008 at 2:00 p.m at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Olds with Harold Hunter officiating. Interment to follow at the Hainstock Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made directly to the charity of choice. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd. Olds, entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610.

FRASER

December 28, 1939 - June 2, 2008

Donald Larry Fraser, beloved husband of Hazel Fraser of Sundre, passed away peacefully at the Foothill's Medical Centre surrounded by his loving family on June 2, 2008 at the age of 68 years. He was the father to Fred (Marg) and Darcy (Eddy); grandfather to Graham, Shannon and Jessica, and stepfather to Melvin, Ken, Lois, Lorna, Donna, and Jerry Taubert of Calgary. Don will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him. A celebration of Don's life was held at Royal Canadian Legion, 135 6 St. SE Sundre, AB T0M 1X0 (403) 638-3639 on, Sunday, June 8, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. To email expressions of sympathy: heritage@hffs.com, subject heading: Don Fraser. Heritage Funeral Services. Heritage Funeral Home Telephone: 299-0100.

BETTS

August 28, 1921 - June 4, 2008

Bertha Caroline Betts passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at the Sundre Hospital at the age of 86. Bertha was born in Beiseker, Alberta. Bertha was very outgoing with a great sense of humour and a zest for life. She was a great musician and loved to play her accordion. She will be lovingly remembered by her children Pauline Michaelchuk, Cliff (Jackie) Mork, Donna (Ken) Wigg, Gordon Betts, her 12 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren, brothers Leo Bosch, Albert (Joan) Bosch, Robert (Bette Ann) Bosch, sister in laws Rose Bosch, Marjorie Bosch and numerous nieces and nephews. Bertha was predeceased by her husbands Bill Mork and Jack Betts, son-in-law Andy Michaelchuk, brothers Pius, John and Peter and sister Julia. Funeral services were held in Cremona on June 9, 2008. Memorial tributes may be made directly to the Sundre Hospital or S.T.A.R.S.

MONDEY

1919 - 2008

Alice Louise Mondey, born October 21, 1919, passed away at McKinney Place (South Okanagan General Hospital) on June 6, 2008, with daughter Louise by her side. Alice was predeceased by her husband, Dave, in November 2002; by son-in-law Edward (Louise) in 1997; and grandson Christoffer in 1990. Among those who remain here to celebrate her life and carry on Alice's spirit of optimism, humour and kindness are: brother Norman (Marie) Henderson of Cowichan Bay BC; daughter Louise Christoffersen of Oliver BC; son David (Kathryn) Groom of Black Creek BC; son John (Kati) Mondey, daughter Katherine (Bill) Batsch, son Walter (Debbie) Mondey and daughter Margaret (Don) Mitchinson, all of Calgary, Alberta; countless nephews, nieces, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one great-great grand-child. Those whose lives were touched by Alice will remember these things about her: first, that she was always busy: gardening, cooking, picking berries, sewing, crocheting, embroidering or knitting. After she and Dave moved from Alberta to Oliver BC in 1980, Alice took up the arts of hand-quilting and needlework. Her pictures and quilts decorate walls and beds as far away as Tennessee. Many new babies have been welcomed into the world wrapped in something sewn, crocheted or embroidered by Alice. Music was one of Alice's great loves. Her children remember her singing, whistling or humming along to the radio as she worked. As her life wound down in the early days of June, she listened to Andre Rieu through headphones, gently leading the orchestra with one hand. "If you haven't got something good to say, don't say anything at all," and "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," were Alice's life philosophies. She found and commented on the good in everyone she met, and ignored the rest. The ashes of Alice and her husband, Dave, will be laid to rest at the Mound Cemetery in Eagle Valley, near Sundre, Alberta. At Alice's request, there will be no funeral service. In lieu of flowers and in memory of Alice, the family asks that you find opportunities to love someone, to forgive someone, and to make someone's life a little brighter. Arrangements entrusted to Graham Funeral Home, Oliver and Osoyoos, BC (250) 498-3833.
