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# Messages

#### IN MEMORIAM



In Loving Memory of KATIE SYTNICK November 3, 1921 February 26, 2017

Our lives go on without you. The special years will not return. When you were here with us

> Forever loved and always missed Love all your family

#### IN MEMORIAM



MIKE DUDYCH In loving memory of our husband, father and grandfather who passed away on February 21, 2001.

Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, still missed, and very dear. Love you, miss you, wish you were here

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by Sophie & Family



#### IN MEMORIAM

RANDY GMITEREK March 25, 1985 March 3, 2023

Every day you are in my thoughts And forever in my heart. Miss you dearly,

# Glen IN MEMORIAM



In Loving Memory of RANDY **GMITEREK** March 3, 2023

Our hearts hold your love and miss you so very much. Your voice, the laughter and your ever so caring touch. Randy, Dad, we have so many fond memories in mind. You are here everywhere unique in what we may find. You loved a conversation and the smiles you received. So full of life and plans makes it hard for us

to believe.
If only we would have known the outcome that day. We would have held onto your hand to turn you away. This year has been one of denial, remaining in shock. Waiting for you to come home as you were our rock.

At times we have struggled to keep your legacy alive, And for our ancestry before us. we continue to strive. Even as the sun rises. a black cloud weighs upon our mind. So many tears, an ocean,

washing away the sands of time. Without a single thought sometimes life will not be so kind. Without expectation, taken for granted and cannot rewind. Beautiful memories

never go away, they live inside us every day. Laura, Nicholas & Erin, Jesse & Shania



Make a donation to the LdB Foundation in honour or memory of a loved one (family will be notified) and make a difference in our community forever, plus receive an income tax credit

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#### OBITUARY

## TIMOTHY (TIM) **JAMES WOOD**

January 13, 1951 - February 22, 2024

Timothy (Tim) James Wood (73) of Lac du Bonnet passed away peacefully on February 22nd, 2024.

He is survived by his two sons Ryan (Krissy); Judge (Nicole); grandchildren, Cayden, Mason, Finn and Brooks, as well his sister Jo-Ann.

He was predeceased by his wife Brenda; daughter Jennifer; and parents George and Helen.

Dad was passionate about the communities where he lived and liked to contribute in many ways, such as volunteering, donating and making connections with people. He was a member of the Lions and served as president of the Lac du Bonnet Chamber of Commerce for many years.

His love of the water never ceased as he usually had a boat of some type and fishing was always a favorite. Another hobby of Dad's was snowmobiling. There are many fond memories of going on sledding trips and adventures with him. His other passion was golf. He always played while in Arizona and was a regular at Black Bear Golf Course near

In retirement, Dad spent most of his winters in Arizona with the love of his life, Brenda (Blondie). He loved his family and cherished time with his kids and grandkids. He was well known to many as he made friends easily and cared about them all.

Our family would like to thank all the healthcare staff of Lac du Bonnet, Pine Falls, and Pinawa who helped care for Dad.

Dad, you will be missed greatly. Thank you for all you

Cremation has taken place, and no service will be held at this time.

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#### **OBITUARY**

#### ELVA MARTIN

Peacefully on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 with her family by her side, Elva Martin passed away at East Gate Lodge Personal Care Home

Elva was predeceased by her husband Roy of 56 years in 2012. She leaves to cherish her memory, her children

Diane (Elmer), David (Sandy) and Brenda (Andy). Mom enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren Adam (Melanie), Quinn (Chelsea) and Cole who were the light of her life.

After completing secretarial school, Mom was employed by Kramer Tractors in Saskatoon. Later Mom and Dad moved to Manitoba to farm in Lowland where they raised their three children and made many happy family memories. Mom started her career as a homecare worker in 1984. She loved taking care of her clients until her retirement at the age of 80 but continued to provide loving

Mom enjoyed crossword puzzles, reading, games, cards and keeping up with current events. She was known for her sharp wit. She retained her skill in shorthand, and we were amazed at her proficiency with this skill well into her 90's. Mom enjoyed spending time with the family pets.

Mom also loved spending time in nature at the Daylily Garden and at garden centers. Many happy family memories were made on camping trips across Canada. A highlight was an Alaskan cruise with family and friends where Mom and Dad celebrated their 46th Anniversary

On behalf of Mom, the family wishes to thank the staff at the Shamrock Unit of East Gate Lodge for the loving care given to Mom. You were truly her Angels.

Cremation has taken place and a private interment will take place at a later date.

Donations can be made to a charity of one's choice.

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#### **OBITUARIES**

## JOHN HENRY BROWN

January 24, 1966 - February 11, 2024

It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our Father, Son, and Uncle, John Henry Brown. John passed away on February 11, 2024, at the age

John is leaving behind his son James (Jasmyn), Granddaughter Charlotte, James' mother Jackie, Dad John, Siblings Gerry (Connie), Lucelle, Nephews



Chris (Jerilyn), Jeremy (Amy),
Niece Danielle (Anthony). As well as his great Nieces and Nephew Chase, Julianne, Layne, Laurynn.

John was predeceased by his mother Idamae, Brother Kirk and Sister Connie.

John is leaving everyone with so many amazing memories; he was a fun, loving, outgoing guy who was always ready for an adventure. He loved going on the trap line with his dad and son, hunting, fishing, camping and anything outdoors. He worked for many years with the Province of Manitoba fighting fires which was his passion, he ended his career with the government working for the Highways Department.

John's absolute pride and joy was his son James. When his granddaughter Charlotte was born she quickly became his second pride and joy and nothing made him more proud and happy to be his dad and her grandpa.

John is greatly missed by everyone, and we know he will always be with us and watching over all of us.

Cremation has taken place; a celebration of life will be held at a later date.

#### RUSSELL THOMAS REID

It is with broken hearts that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved husband, father, grandpa, brother, and friend Russell Thomas Reid, who passed away on February 11, 2024.

Left to mourn his loss are his wife Linda, children Angela (Bradley) and Matthew (Christina), grandchildren, Parker and Bella, sister Lynn (Wayne) and brother Geoff (Marsha), extended family members and cherished friends.



Russ Reid was born on April 14, 1947 in Brandon, Manitoba to parents William and Olive Reid. He was a natural athlete and enjoyed playing many sports with his friends. As a young boy, Russ developed a passion for baseball. He would go on to pitch for several elite teams and win a Canadian Junior Championship in 1967. In 2015, Russ and the Brandon Parklane Juniors would be recognized by and inducted into the Manitoba Baseball Hall of Fame. He was immensely proud of this achievement.

Russ had a love of learning that brought him to the University of Brandon where he played on the Bobcats basketball team. He would go on to earn a degree in Education and meet the love of his life, Linda. They married on July 9th, 1971. Together, they moved to Lynn Lake and taught for two years. In 1973, he accepted a position teaching History at Lac du Bonnet Senior School in Agassiz School Division (later Sunrise). During his 29 years at LdBSS, Mr. Reid coached multiple sports teams and helped the 1998 Varsity Boys Basketball team win a Provincial Championship. He continued to teach at LdBSS until his retirement in 2002.

No matter the weather, you could always see Russ walking. Without fail, he put on 8 to 10 miles a day. He worked tirelessly around the yard, never asking for help. He had a passionate love affair with stone wheat crackers, chocolate, chips, and ice cream. He loved travelling, taking many trips with Linda and later with his children. One of his greatest pleasures was attending his grandchildren's activities. He spent a lot of time in hockey arenas and gymnasiums. He never missed a game.

Russ was highly active in the community. For 11 years, he and Linda were the Food Coordinators at the local Food Bank. For the last 9 years, Russ performed his duty as an elected School Trustee. Recently, he had been enjoying activities like floor curling with his friends at the Pioneer Club.

Russ was a big man with a big, loving heart. He was taken away from this world before we were ready to let him go. He will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements have been made with Sobering Funeral Chapel. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, March 8 at 11:00 am, at the Community Center in Lac du Bonnet. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

