

ENGMAN

Valeria Mary (Dobia) Engman passed away peacefully on March 30, 2010 at the Red Deer Regional Hospital at the age of 82. Val was born August 9, 1927 at home in the Evergreen District to Francis and Anna Dobia. Val worked in Calgary at Burns Packing Plant until she returned to the farm. She then worked at the New Hill Store where she met George Engman. They were married December 7, 1951. They farmed together in the New Hill district until George's passing in December 1986. Val continued to live and work on the farm. She loved the outdoors and her yard and garden were her pride and joy. Due to her health she moved to the Eckville Manor in 2008. Val will be missed by her four sons Duane of Fort McMurray; Les (Gwen), Greg (Deb), Maurice (Marla); eight grandchildren Erica, Levi, Dalton, Kim (Curtis), Carley (Ryan), Connor, Tannis and Meggan; all of Eckville; sisters Helen (Walter) Shippelt-Vath, Anne (Stanley) Burns; Stephanie (Donald) Hansen; sisters-in-law Mary (Cass) Dobia, Alice Engman. Val was predeceased by her husband George; parents Francis and Anna; brothers Frank (Ardelle) and Ted Dobia. Funeral Service for the late Valeria Engman will be held at the Memorial Presbyterian Church, Sylvan Lake on April 6, 2010 at 1:00 P.M. with interment in Diamond Valley Cemetery. As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations may be made in Valeria's name to the donor's choice. Sylvan Lake and Rocky Funeral Homes and Crematorium, your Golden Rule Funeral Homes, entrusted with the arrangements. 403-887-2151

DREESHEN

Alva Nick (Al) Dreeshen, passed away at his home in Elnora, Ab., March 26, 2010 at the age of 63 years. He is survived by his sons: Larry (Julie) of Lacombe, Terry (Tanya) of Delburne, Dave of Calgary and eight grandchildren. Memorial services will be held on Fri. April 9th, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. from the Elnora Community Center, Elnora Ab. with Patricia Dyson officiating. Memorial tributes in Al's honour may be made to the Canadian Hemophilia Society or to the Arthritis Society. Condolences to the family may be directed to kneehillfuneralservices@hotmail.com. Kneehill Funeral Services Ltd., Trochu, entrusted with arrangements. 403-442-2123.

HOFFMAN

Peggy Carole Louise (Kemp) Hoffman passed away peacefully on April 10, 2010 at the Innisfail Hospital at the age of 79. Peg, the oldest of 4 children, was born December 25, 1930 in Red Deer to Jack and Betty Kemp. In 1943, the family moved to the farm west of Innisfail. Peg worked at the telephone office until her marriage to Clarence (Buck) Hoffman in 1955. While Buck worked for the county, she cooked for the crew. When Buck became a self-employed cat skinner, Peg cooked and was his business partner. She also worked for John Edgar for several tax seasons. Peg enjoyed sewing, knitting, and crocheting and many family and friends have samples of her crafts. She also tried her hand at painting pictures, photography and upholstery. Peg and Buck worked and lived in the Innisfail area for most of their married lives. In 1996, after full time RV-ing for 8 years, they built their dream home west of Caroline where she could look at the mountains and enjoy the wildlife daily.

Peg and Buck were best friends and you rarely saw one without the other. When they weren't hiking a mountain, fishing a stream or canoeing a lake, you could find them just sitting by a campfire. For their 50th anniversary in 2005, they received a new canoe "The Love Boat". Throughout their lives, whether working, travelling or at home, Peg and Buck developed life long friendships that they cherished. There was always a cup of coffee and a fresh cookie or piece of pie to be shared. Peg is survived by her husband, Buck, brother Gerald (Rita) Kemp, sister Jackie Hodges, brother Robert (Bea) Kemp. Also survived by sisters-in-law Ann (Abe) Loewen, Vi Hauch, and Joan Hoffman and many special nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her parents, Jack and Betty Kemp, brothers-in-law Max Hauch, Lorne Hoffman and Howard Hoffman. As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations may be made to STARS, Caroline Church of the Nazarene building fund or the charity of the donor's choice. A memorial service will be held at 2PM at the Kurt Browning Complex in Caroline on April 16, 2010. Rocky Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

RAY

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and uncle, William Ray on Saturday, March 27, 2010 at the age of 85 years and nine months. William, also known as Bill, was one of eleven children born in Hilda, Alberta to George and Eva Ray. His many accomplishments include working on the farm, truck driving, running his own barber shop, and retiring as a handyman with the Federal Government. One of his true passions was fishing with his wife and best friend of sixty years, Ida Ray. He was proud to be a father to his four children, and papa to his eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He will be lovingly remembered by his son Laurence (Linda) Ray and three daughters, Louella (Garvin) Sirois, Joyce (Rick) Skopik, Rita (Steve) Beauchamp, as well as his grandchildren. He enjoyed an active retirement including skating, fishing, travelling, singing with the church choir, and spending time with family. He had the unique ability to make people feel comfortable in any situation and he could put a smile on anyone's face. We will fondly remember the smile on his face as he crossed the finish line with his walker in the three kilometer walk for Parkinson's in 2009. If friends so desire, memorial donations may be made to any of the following charities: Parkinson's Society of Alberta (Western Building, 102 - 5636 Burbank Crescent S.E., Calgary, AB T2H 1Z6), Alberta Heart & Stroke Foundation (200, 119 - 14 Street N.W., Calgary, AB T2N 1Z6) or to the Alberta Cancer Foundation (Sun Life Place, 1500, 10123 - 99 Street N.W., Edmonton, AB T5J 3H1). Email expressions of sympathy to: mountainview@arbormemorial.com with subject heading: Bill Ray.

FOOTTIT

Allan Foottit of Innisfail, Alberta, passed away April 10, 2010. He was born June 28, 1951 in Burnaby, B.C. He is survived by his wife Diana Gaucher, two sons Steven and wife Lisa, and Jamie Foottit, step-son Blaise Gaucher, mother Louise Andrews, sister Sharon and Peter Phillips, brother Bill and Bea Foottit, and nine grand children. A memorial service will be held in the lounge of the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 104, Innisfail, Friday, April 16, 2010 from 2:00 - 5:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Cancer Society are greatly appreciated.

BURGE

Lloyd Burge of Spruce View, AB, passed away suddenly, March 19, 2010 at the age of 64 years. He was born February 5, 1946 in Cold Lake, AB. Lloyd will be forever missed and loved by his wife of 36 years, Rita MacDonald; mother Evelyn Burge, brothers and sisters Nelson (Doreen) Burge, Nioma (Marvin) Hatch, Barb (Lloyd) Gonie, Judy Bercier, Grant (Cleo) Burge, Graham (Earla) Burge, George (Wendy) Burge, Lewis (Lavinia) Burge, Lillian (Kirk) Sharp, Debbie (Larry) Hempel, Lance (Susan) Burge, Laura (Warren) Somers, Josie (Gerry) L'Heureux; Rita's children Debbie (Eldon) Skarsen, Jacqueline (Linda) Lemoine, Keith Lemoine, Monique (Brian) Ruttle, Scott (Sheila) Lemoine, Réne Lemoine; numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father Joseph Burge and an infant brother Leonard Burge. A memorial service was held at the Innisfail Royal Canadian Legion Br 104. Wednesday, March 24, 2010. If friends so desire memorial tributes may be made directly to the Alberta Heart & Stroke Foundation.

FIELD

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved father and husband, Larry Eugene Field on April 23, 2010, while surrounded by his loving family. He is survived by his two loving daughters and their families; Allison and David and their daughter Evangelina and Erin and Ian and their son Joshuah. He is also survived by his loving wife Laurie, his extended family and many dear friends. Larry was predeceased by his father Lawrence in January 1972 and his dear mother Rose in March 2009. Larry was born in Innisfail on September 20, 1944. He grew up in Innisfail and in his later years, always loved to come home to Innisfail to see family and his many friends. He moved to Calgary where he and Laurie made their home and raised their wonderful girls, Allison and Erin, who were Larry's pride and joy. He celebrated all of their successes and treasured and valued every moment spent together. Larry was an accomplished golfer and many of his favourite times were spent on the Innisfail Golf Course. As well, he also loved to spend time fishing. Larry was gifted with his great musical ability and played his Gibson hummingbird guitar and sang. He was an integral part of all family functions where he was always pleased to share his gift. Larry had a wonderful personality, compassion for others and valued all of his friendships that he made over the years. He was always happiest when spending time with family and friends. Larry was employed at ATCO where he had many friends and colleagues. He retired in September 2009 after 41 years of service. Throughout the years, Larry dealt with all of his health issues with courage, a positive attitude and his wish for quality time. His unending sense of humour, his strong desire to live each day to the fullest and the ability to see the good in everything was an inspiration to all who had the good fortune to know him. A celebration of Larry's life will be held on Thursday, April 29, 2010 at 2:00 pm at the Innisfail United Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Larry's memory to the Kidney Foundation of Canada, 6007 - 1A Street SW, Calgary, AB. T2H 0G5. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from www.metcalffuneralchapel.com. Arrangements entrusted to Metcalf Funeral Chapel, 4200 49th Ave., Innisfail. 403-227-3123. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

DEMPSTER

Mary Katherine (Kay) Dempster was born on July 8th, 1922 at Red Bank, N.B. Her parents were Henry and Roberta Copp, nee Chaplin. She was the first of six children, followed by Jeddy, deceased; Eugene, deceased; Irene (Phil); Leona, deceased (Bob); and Jack deceased (Carol). She had five children, Robert (Hazel); Cecelia, deceased; Eugene (Lillian); Lee Ann, deceased (Frank); David (Wendy). There are six grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, plus numerous nieces and nephews. Kay graduated from St. Mary's Academy at Newcastle N.B. in 1941. Worked at General Electric in Montreal during the war, assembling Bren Guns. Near the end of the war married Lloyd Preston and moved to the Toronto area. Worked for T. Eaton in accounts for 18 years and did many other jobs as she was a single mom with two children to support. In 1964 Kay married Bob Dempster and the good life began. Lived in many places, as a service wife in the R.C.A.F. Sennetrrre P.Q., Val D'Or, P.Q. where David was born, North Bay Ont., Germany for four memorable years, then on to Penhold A.B. where we retired from the service to live in Innisfail. Kay worked at the Innisfail Museum until Bob retired for the second time in 1988. Then they started travelling to Alaska, then to Newfoundland, took a cruise to the Caribbean Islands, then to Inuvik over the Dempster Highway. Tried a few winters in B.C. but always ended up back in Innisfail. Kay volunteered for many organizations, Christmas Bureau, Heart Foundation, Food Bank and Meals on Wheels. She was a member of the C.W.L. which she joined in 1939 in N.B. Kay received the Good Neighbor Award from the Town of Innisfail 1988 and a Certificate of Merit from the Canadian Government also in 1988. She was presented with a Silver Plate from the Innisfail Historic Society in 1987. Kay spent many good times watching her son David, and then her grandson Ian, playing baseball in the summer and hockey in the winter. Mary Catherine Dempster passed away peacefully on the 19th, of April, 2010. Her family and friends will all miss her and treasure her memory. Funeral Service was held on Wednesday the 21st of April, 2010 at the Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church with Father Dan Stein officiating.

CAMPBELL

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It is with heavy hearts and deep sadness that we announce the passing of our loving mom, grandma, great grandmother, and sister, Astrid (Ozzie) Campbell (nee Norman) on April 20 at the age of 85 years. She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Sharon Wallace of Carstairs, Frank (Gabriele) of St. Albert, Danny (Deanna) of Innisfail, Brenda (Mike Krug) of Surrey, BC, Brian of Calgary, 10 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. She will also be remembered by her brothers Rueben and Arnie Norman of Stettler, AB and numerous other family members. Mom was predeceased by her parents, husband Don Campbell, 5 brothers, 2 sisters, and several other family members. Mom was known for her sense of humour, always ready for a good joke. She loved to play cards and get together with family and friends. We would like to thank her many friends who made her days enjoyable (especially when she skunked them in a good game of crib!). A celebration of Mom's life was held on April 26, 2010. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes in Mom's honour may be made directly to STARS Foundation, 1441 Aviation Park NE, Box 570, Calgary, AB, T2E 8M7 or a charity of one's choice. Our family wishes to thank the staff at the Country Lodge and Metcalf Funeral Chapel for their kindness and support during this time. Condolences can be forwarded to the family by visiting www.metcalffuneralchapel.com. Cremation entrusted to Metcalf Funeral Chapel, 4200 49th Ave., Innisfail. Phone: 403-227-3123. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.