

# Ralph Paul Ash

JUNE 18, 2024

## **Ralph Paul Ash**

It is with great sadness that the Ash family announces that our father and papa, Ralph, died peacefully among close family on June 18, 2024.

Ralph was born on January 23, 1931, in

Qu'Appelle Saskatchewan. He spent his younger years in this area with his parents John and Mary Ash, along with his 10 siblings. Ralph lived a full life over his 93 years. His values of family, integrity, humor and honesty will be carried on through his family, which started with Eileen and their 7 children. The family has now expanded with many grandchildren, great-children, and extended family, including the Duckworth family after Ralph spent many years with his partner Lil. In the 60s, Ralph purchased his first property at Lipps Beach and later, the lake front property that is still in the family today. With his loved ones, Ralph built a cabin that would be enjoyed for many generations to come. It became a hub for social gatherings and would foster life-long friendships and relationships for his loved ones. To this day, you can find his grandchildren and great-grandchildren getting the pits ready for a friendly game of horseshoes or in the garage visiting or enjoying a game of crib. Ralph worked in the construction industry for much of his working career. In 1976, Ralph became a partner in a successful concrete business, CalAsh Concrete. Over the years, many family members and friends worked alongside Ralph. In 1995, Ralph "retired" due to health issues, but continued as a "consultant" and was still known to swing the sledgehammer and was finishing jobs at 80 years of age. Sports were a major part of Ralph's life. In his early years, ball and hockey were his sports of choice and you could often find him and his brothers at the rink or on the field. Later in life, he coached and followed his children and



grandchildren through their adventures in sport and was always willing to provide support and advice. If you were at Ralph's house to visit, you could almost guarantee that there would be some sort of sporting event on the tv whether it be curling, hockey, football or baseball. He was an avid Toronto Blue Jay and Saskatchewan Roughrider fan and rarely missed a televised game. Ralph worked hard and played hard. Through that, he made many life-long friendships and connections. He always made time for those that were important to him, and his kitchen table was a gathering place for anyone who wanted a drink and a good visit. Ralph was one-of-a-kind; humble, funny, hardworking, honest, and reliable. He will be missed by all who loved him. At Ralph's request, there will be no funeral service. The family would like to thank Dr. Kothare and the Regina Home Care staff for the great care provided to Ralph.

## Messages of Condolence

My condolences to your entire family. Enjoyed the visits we had together , with the wonderful family or just having a beer and a chat. He will be missed by so many of us. Hugs to all

— **Tom Gartner**

Sincere condolences to all!

Cherish the memories that were made!! He was A great guy who raised A great family!

— **Kathy Lipp Hagel**

Ralph was one of the greatest men we knew. He was funny, full of laughter, jokes and humour. When Pops spoke you listened!

It has been a privilege to have known him for over 60 years, he always made you feel welcome and part of the family.

He will be missed but remembered with such joy and laughter. Hard working hands at rest Poppa, you are loved and honoured.

— **Sam and Wayne Isted**

Condolences are sent to all the Ash family. Papa was a treasure.

— **Ron and Kim Folk**

Our condolences go out to the entire Ash family. Ralph was one special man and had the kindest heart. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

— **Ruth Seidlitz**

Our condolences to your entire family.

— **Jennifer and Bob (Ward) Wing**

Condolences to Ralph's Family so sad to hear great times with Ralph and family members. Miss him already!

— **Tim Hein**

Our deepest and sincerest condolences to the entire Ash family. May memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength in the days ahead.

— **Dean, Juliette, Justice and Noah Shaw**

Condolences to the whole Ash family Ralph was such caring man and he would always make time to chat. RIP Ralph

— **Joann and Peter Lamer**

So sorry for your loss.

— **Carol Leitch**

Well Ralph we never saw each other that often the last few years. I will not forget your kind heart, your laughter and harsh voice at times. You made me smile every time I saw you. I will miss you dearly. Until we meet again ☐ .

My condolences to the family.

— **Terri and Perry**

Our sincere condolences to the whole Ash family. This world has lost one of its best. It's hard to find the words to express how much he mean't to me and my family. We will cherish forever all our good times we had together at the beach. He will be missed dearly but never forgotten. Rest in peace Pops you have left your legacy with all of us.

Moe, Michelle and the entire Marwick family.

— **Morley & Michelle Marwick**

Sorry for your lost to the Ash family. Great man. Old school !

— **Glenn Tumac**

Sympathies to the Ash Family. He had a wonderful life and such a loving family. I am sure he will be dearly missed.

— **Diane & Jamie McPhie.**

He was a wonderful, kind generous man. He will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by all. He raised a wonderful family. Our condolences to the entire Ash family

**— Charles & Pat Church**

Rod, Gwyneth and Family: On behalf of the Regina Police Veterans' Association please accept our condolences.

Lauri Morin, President

Regina Police Veterans' Association

**— Bob Westaff, Secretary RPVets**

Our condolences to the Ash family. Ralph will surely be missed. He really loved his sports and family. Rest in peace.

**— Alan and Marilyn Tait**

Condolences from the Wenman family, we all have many fond memories of Ralph, growing up at the beach

**— Ernie Wenman family**

Hello Rod and family

I was sad to hear that your Dad had passed away, Hang on to the memories you have made with "Papa". I'm sure there were many.

I also remember the great times we had on the Police Force. Your smile was infectious. God bless you and keep you safe.

**— Jon & Brenda Kincheloe**

To Rod, Gwen and family, my condolences.

**— Paul Chiddenton**

As good as they come. Sincere condolences.

— **Curt Kemp**

Sorry for your loss. Mr. Ash was a great man. Very kind and very helpful. I consider myself lucky and fortunate to have known him. He did a lot of good while he was here and will certainly be missed.

— **Younghusband Wayne**

Rod, Gwen and your family: We are sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. With our sympathy, Clive and Lois Weighill

— **Clive and Lois Weighill**

Rod, Gwen and the entire Ash family,  
Our sincere condolences to you on the loss of Ralph. He was at our place in 2008 and supervised the entire crew when all our concrete work was done. He was an easy going, great guy. I'm sure he will be deeply missed!

Take care,

Tim & Bev Hesse

— **Tim & Bev Hesse**

Rod, Gwen and the Ash family, our sincerest condolences on the loss of your Dad, all the best to you and your family.

— **Scott Layman**

I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Uncle Ralph. Hugs and love sent to all of you. Uncle Ralph was a very special man and will always be in my memories.

— **Sharon Ash**

My Deepest Sympathy to the Family .Ralph was a great guy. he will be missed.

— **Dave Gartner**

The world is a sadder place. Ralph was a gem. Amazing man of joy and strength, compassion and humour. Loved by many. Rest in peace Ralph

Darlene (and Rick) Seitz

— **Darlene Seitz**

So sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. He was truly unique and loved his family more than anything. We felt so welcome when we saw him at the beach.

— **Bernie&Ruth Patallas**

Rod, Gwen and family,

So very sorry for your loss. Take comfort in the many happy memories you all shared. Our sincerest condolences to you, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Carole, Marc Zumstein

Marcus, Dionne & Remington Zumstein

— **Carole Ann Zumstein**

I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Uncle Ralph. Hugs and love sent to all of you.

Uncle Ralph was a very special man and will always be in my memories.

— **Sharon Ash**

Our sincere condolences to the entire Ash Family during the recent loss of Ralph, their Father and Papa. He will be sorely missed by everyone in the Dilke District. A privilege to have known him.

Colleen and family.

— **Colleen Duesing & Family**

My condolences to Rod and the Ash family. Ralph was a good man.

— **Jim Chegwin**

So sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. He will be missed.

— **Dale Ziegler**

Our sympathies to the Ash family. May you find peace in your memories of such a kind man.

— **Dan & Karen Folk**

Rod, Gwen and family

Sorry for your loss. Ralph was a friend to all who knew him. Ralph will be greatly missed. He made his mark in the world, one his family will be proud of.

— **Norm and Gwen Marchinko**

Ernie and I were saddened to read of Ralph's passing. He was a wonderful member of the 'Ash Clan'. Sending our condolences to the Ralph's family from the Neilson's.

— **Ernie & Carole Neilson**

We are so sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. Many years ago we watched as the youngsters of Mr and Ms Ash grew up and became valuable members of the community. We are always happy to run into Constable Ash. We are so sorry for your loss.

Joanne and Ernie Moski

— **Ernest and Joanne Moski**

Our very deepest sympathy to the Ash Family! Ralph was such a kind, sweet man & will be missed by all!

— **Dan & Robbie Brooks & Family**

Dear Rod, Gwen & the entire Ash family - We were saddened to hear that Ralph passed away. Please accept our condolences on your loss.

— **Angie & Chris MacDougall**

Wishing you all peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to forever hold in your heart

— **Loretta Stadnyk**

Ralph was a one of a kind man, they don't come any better than him. May your entire family find comfort in all the happy memories of him.

— **Duckworth Family**

They don't come any better than Ralph. May you all find comfort in the beautiful memories he left behind.

— **Duckworth Family**

Ralph was huge presence in our lives for 50+ years. It began during our high school years with our Besty[ his daughter, Mary ] and continued on through to Ralph's retirement years at his kitchen table in his apartment on Engel Drive. Ralph was "one of a kind" and we are so grateful for all the memories we have to hold close to our hearts. He will be deeply missed, but Ralph's legacy will live on through his children - Norm, Dan, Moe, Berta, Rod , Holly and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

With Love, Hugs, and our Deepest Sympathy,

The Twisted Sisters

Shel, Lynn & Linda

— **Linda Purves**

Deepest condolences to all the Ash families. Ralph was a very special man especially to the Duckworth family. My thoughts are with you during this sad time.

— **Joan Kaytor**

Our condolences to the entire family on the passing of a truly fun loving & caring man. We spent many years out at Lipps Beach at our family cottage & always looked forward to the annual Ash horseshoe tournament. Fun times & great memories of Ralph as he always made sure everyone was taken care of & having fun. RIP Ralph.

— **Dan & Kathy Weisgarber**

Our fondest memories of Ralph Ash are from when he and his sons would come to watch Moe play Bantam hockey. Loved him insisting his boys made sure their hotel room was clean and tidy after leaving an out of town tournament, because that's what "Mom" expected. Our sympathies Moe and family.

— **Elaine and Dean Allen**

A life well lived-Rest in Peace Mr. Ash, lots of great memories of a wonderful man and his family!

— **Susan Peachey Weir**

My sincere condolences to the Ash family.

— **Shelly Sitoski**

I find it hard to have words. Ralph was my dad's best friend, and my second dad. The Ash family were and always will be my family. I've known him since I was born. What to say. One of the best real men I've ever known. A role model for all. The kindest; but careful not to mess with him. There's a special place for him at the crib board in heaven! Love you always, dad

— **Blair Kennedy**

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