

# (Alfred) Milo Benn

APRIL 10, 2016

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of (Alfred) Milo Benn April 10, 2016 in Regina, SK after a brief illness. He is survived by two sons Chris and Tony (Karen) Benn both of Vernon, BC and by his stepdaughter Kim (Gilbert) Bessette of Nampa, AB, 8

grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren as well as his brother Bob (Carol) of Sherwood

Park, AB and sister Eileen (Stephen) of Sicamous, BC. In his last four years it was Milo's privilege to gain the loving companionship of Joyce Rist of Yorkton, SK and her dear family. Milo was predeceased by his brother Bruce, parents Carl and Olga Benn, and his wife Roberta.

Milo was born March 3, 1948 in Meadow Lake, SK. With his Dad working on oil rigs, there were several moves before settling in Wildwood, AB in 1956, attending school there until he joined the navy in 1964. From Dartmouth, NS he served as an Aviation Technician sailing to many interesting countries on the Aircraft Carrier 'HMCS Bonaventure.' He married Heather Strutinsky, later settling in BC with their two sons Chris and Tony.

Gaining his journeyman carpentry ticket, he worked on the Mica Dam and later in Hudson's Hope, BC eventually taking longer term employment at the college in Fairview, AB. After his divorce, he married Roberta Anne Fuller and, after some years of travel, they moved to Vernon, then Sicamous BC where Milo enjoyed working for 3 Buoys Houseboats for several years. After retirement he and Roberta became well known through operating a market stall locally or at the



roadside market in Enderby. Their final move was to Mendham, a small Saskatchewan community near the Alberta border.

Milo had a zest for living that made him fun to be around. He had lots of “quotable quotes” and always had people laughing. He loved to play the guitar and had memorized lots of (mostly country & western) songs. In quiz or trivial pursuit his wealth of 'useless' information was legend - drawing comment that he'd be filthy rich if he had applied the effort to brain surgery... Milo will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends.

A Celebration of Life will take place at Sicamous Bible Church, in Sicamous, BC on Saturday 23 April at 1:00 pm, followed by refreshments. Family will have a private inurnment later, placing Milo alongside Roberta.

## Messages of Condolence

My sympathy and condolences are with the family at this time. I was fortunate to meet Milo on several occasions, the last being in Meadow Lake at our Johnson/Olsen reunion. Unfortunately I can not make the memorial in Sicamous, but my thoughts and prayers will be with you.

Joan (Johnson) Williams and family.

— **Joan Williams**



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