Fred Budgeon

MAY 26, 2019

Budgeon, Fred

Fred Budgeon, in his 82nd year, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 26, 2019 at the Foothills Medical Centre. He was born to the late Ralph Budgeon and Grace Brubacher Budgeon on February 8, 1937 in Edmonton, Alberta.

Fred spent the first two years of his life in Bon Accord, Alberta then the family moved to Crossfield to take over the farm from Ralph's parents, Fred and Elsie Budgeon. After studying Mechanics and Metal Working at S.A.I.T., Fred returned to the farm where he started to expand the business to include his own grain operation and cattle feedlot.

During this time, he met Myrna Smaha at a dance hall in Calgary. On November 18, 1961 Myrna and Fred married and settled on the farm north of Crossfield where they lived until they moved to town in 1999.

Fred was a great lover of music which he played on the saxophone, guitar, piano and if dared, the violin. He also enjoyed sports such as golf, football, curling, trapshooting, volleyball and skiing. Myrna and Fred travelled extensively throughout the world including; South America, parts of Asia, Australia, New Zealand, the United States, U.K., a safari in Africa and of course Canada.

Fred will be remembered for his community involvement with organizations such as the Elks, Crossfield Minor Hockey, Collicut Siding Golf Course, the old Crossfield Community Hall, the building committee of the new Crossfield

Community Center, Crossfield Golden Key Club, Crossfield History Book and the Crossfield Legion.

Fred will be lovingly remembered by his children Grant (Kathy), Shelley and Matthew; and two grand- daughters, Sydney and Hilary, and extended family and friends.

He is predeceased by his wife Myrna and sister Patricia.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Crossfield Community Center on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Fred's memory can be made to the Salvation Army, 420 – 9 Avenue SE, Calgary, AB T2G 0R9 or the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Suite 100, 119 – 14 Street NW, Calgary, AB T2N 1Z6.

The family wish to thank the community for their generosity and support, as well at the local fire department and paramedics for their quick response and knowledgeable assistance. The family also expresses sincere appreciation for the care extended to Fred by the staff at the Foothills Medical Center, particularly the ER.

Messages of Condolence

A wonderful man with a guaranteed smile and a wave. Fred will be missed, he was the roots of our town keeping us grounded and strong.
Our sincerest condolences to the family.
Murray & Marlene Pollock

— Marlene

So sorry for your loss. Your Dad/Grandpa was one of the nicest people with a wonderful sense of humour. He will be greatly missed. Please know our thoughts and sympathies are with all of you at the difficult time
Lorna, Kevin,Stephanie, Janine and Joel Hansen

— Lorna Hansen

My sincerest sympathies to the Budgeon family. I remember Fred as a happy and joking man who always made me welcome at any situation, especially at Crossfield United. I enjoyed his warm laughter and engaging stories. He will be dearly missed. xoxoxo

— Diana Fisher

So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

— Irene Dreher (Turgeon)

We would like to send our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Budgeon families. Fred was a terrific man to know with a great sense of humour. We will miss him.

— Arlo and Terry McCool

Please know that we are thinking of you and wish we could be there.

— Doug and Diana Steele

We will sadly miss our good friend and neighbour. Our thoughts are with the family at this time

— dave & marylou cuming

It is wish great sadness that I have learned about the passing of Fred. I will always remember him as the tall man with the wonderful smile and always an encouraging word. The world and I will miss him and am extremely glad that he and Myrna passed through my life. God's blessings on his Family and Peace be with you.

— Ann Riddel

Our condolences to your family at the loss of your father. You are in our prayers at this difficult time.

— Marnie and Don Holmes

Grant, Our sincerest condolences to you and your family. Hugs to Shelly and Mathew too.
Pat Kobayashi and family.

— Pat Kobayashi

We are very sad to hear that Fred is no longer with us. His big smile and warm heart will be truly missed by all. Our condolences to all the family.

— Cindy Leonard and Bob Choma

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, during this time.
You all made beautiful memories.
Fred always had a huge smile, that will be missed by so many. He was a great leader in our community.

— Sandy and Greg Wicks

Fred was such a wonderful man, he will be terribly missed. He was always quick with a joke, a tease or a hug and just mentioning his name put a smile on your face. So very sorry for your loss.

— Traci Madison

Our choir concerts could not have been considered complete without Fred and his sax (and his nonsense!) He was always game for a little fun and a giggle. Dearest Fred - I will miss you terribly. Bev

— Bev Sturgeon

Our sincere sympathy to you all. Such a privilege to have known this fine gentleman through the years.

— Peter and Sylvia Vang

RIP my condolences to the family. Fred was a very nice man when I've encountered him at Crossfield Foods. Fred and Roy Fulton would come in to buy their Calgary Sun and ended up telling a few jokes with each other.

— Lisa Marchant

Fred was a great father, friend and community ambassador. He will be sadly missed by all those that knew him. We shall miss that twinkle in his eye and his ready smile. Our condolence to his children and grandchildren. Joyce, Rob and Michael Estes.

— Joyce Estes

My deepest sympathy to the loss of your Father.

— Karen Wingenbach

So sorry to the entire Budgeon family for your loss. Thinking of you during this sad time. He is with his lovely Myrna again.

— Sue (Hunter) Grant

I am very saddened to hear of Fred's passing. He & Myrna were very respected in the Crossfield community for many, many years. My sincere condolences to the family & close friends, he will be missed.gj

— Charlie Rowat

Our thoughts are with you. Fred was a wonderful person. We will miss seeing his smile and wit on the golf course.

— Barry and Lorie Trufen

My deepest sympathy to all Fred’s family and friends, so sorry to hear of his passing. Thoughts and prayers are extended in this time of loss! XO

— Colleen Stephenson

Grant and family, So sorry to hear about your dad. I got to know him quite well while I was organizing the Pete Knight days parade. He could always be counted on to bring his antique cars and drive whoever needed a ride. He always had a good joke and a good sense of humour. He will be missed in the community. Condolences.

— Ida Rowat

To all of the Budgeon family we are thinking about all of you and want you to know we think highly of Fred and enjoyed visiting with him wherever we saw him. He was a great man

— Harley & vivian walsh

A Good Man, with a Kind Heart and Huge Love for his Family and the Community. Thinking of you all during this difficult time.

— Brenda Taks

To the Budgeon Family.Thinking of you at this sad time.Fred will be missed by all who knew him.

— Lloyd and Laurangel Farr

Fred was always a kind and gentle man. I remember him as a bit of a jokester! Our deepest sympathies to the Budgeon family, friends and the people of Crossfield community who had the opportunity to know Fred.

— Stephanie Kuhn (Stearns)

So very sorry to hear that Fred has passed. Our prayers & condolences are with you.

— Dwight & Cindy Dickie

Grant and family, Shelley and Matthew :
Our parents were neighbors and good friends, consequently, I have known Fred all my life.
Of course, we went to Crossfield School together. Myrna was the best thing that every happened to Fred and together they were great community contributors and supporters. As well, they were the best of farmers. Fred had a quick wit and was always very willing to help everyone at a moments notice. All of you will miss him terribly. Remember ALL the GOOD TIMES! Terry and I send our most sincere condolences.
Sheila (Casey) Dexter

— Sheila Dexter

It is with great sadness that I have learned about the passing of Fred. Having met Fred in 1988, and being 27 years my senior, I always looked up to and admired the astute, determined and hard working business man that he was. But his kind heartedness, supportiveness and great sense of humor made him a great delight to be around as well. Fred sure loved a good laugh, which I can still hear in my head now, and never passed up an opportunity to joke around with strangers in a line-up or at the next table in a restaurant. Fred, you were a great man and will be dearly missed.

— Jason Leemans

So sorry to hear of Fred’s passing. He will be sorely missed.

— Cheryl, Paul & Kyle Rodzinski

Deepest Sympathy to the Budgeon family

— Bill Morison

Fred will be sadly missed, his wit and humour made him a joy to be around. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family

— Brian & Winnie Gallelli

I am very sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Fred, or as I remember him Mr Budgeon. He had a great sense of humor and was quick to smile. He will be missed.

Condolences from the Mihoc's.

— Marino Mihoc

The two generations of Budgeons that I knew were among the most committed contributors to the Crossfield community. Fred, like his parents, gave a lot and had fun doing it.

— Russell Banta

Dear Grant and Kathy, Shelley and Matthew, Sydney & Hillary:
Please know how sad we all are for you on the passing of your dear dad and grandpa. I will miss catching up with Fred (and Myrna) who always so warmly and genuinely greeted me with a delightful smile and a happy visit whenever our paths crossed. Many are the fond memories of times the Cissell and Budgeon families spent together as we were all growing up!
Joan (Cissell) Hillson

— Joan (Cissell) & Andrew Hillson

Our most sincere condolences to you. Always enjoyed a chance encounter with your dad. His smile and genuine friendly nature were indicative of the classy man he was

— Gary & Debbie Malyk

So very sorry to hear of the loss of Fred (and Myrna last year). Terrible loss of a such a joyful person (and couple). I will forever miss his smile and laughter. My deepest sympathies to the family.

— Naomi Lindstedt (Allen)

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