

Ernest James Draper

AUGUST 13, 2017

DRAPER, Ernest James

Ernie hit the road again. Longer trip this time but shorter travel time. At this time, I'm sure he is pointing out to St. Peter that the gates are not square or level and is probably negotiating a rate.



Ernest James Draper, formerly of North Battleford, passed away quietly on Sunday, August 13, 2017 at the Red Deer Hospice at the age of 85 years.

Ernest "Ernie" was born January 07, 1932 in North Battleford to Ernest and Lillian (Liggins) Draper. On May 07, 1955, he married his life partner, Bernice Fitzgerald.

Ernie was employed all his working career by Macdonalds Consolidated until his retirement. He enjoyed his retirement living and was an avid woodworker, beekeeper and Calgary Flames fan. He enjoyed time with his friends hunting and fishing especially in Northern Saskatchewan near "Lac de Ernie". Ernie especially loved time with his grandchildren and watching and cheering them on in their various sports and activities.

Ernie is lovingly remembered by his wife of 62 years, Bernice; sons, Daryl (Ruth) and Darwin (Trish); grandchildren, Jeff, Katelyn, Alicia, Kristin and Blake; great granddaughter, Sienna; sister, Eileen Menssa and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Lillian, and his sister, Elsie York.

Interment will be held at a later date in the North Battleford, SK City Cemetery.

In memory of Ernest, donations may be made to:

Red Deer Hospice, 99 Arnot Avenue, Red Deer, AB, T4R 3S6.

Messages of Condolence

MY deepest condolences to you all! I had the previledge of working with Ernie many years ago in North Battleford. I also enjoyed his company in hunting and fishing with him... He was a very good man and it was my honor to have shared some of the path of life with him.

— **John Newell**

Our deepest condolences at a very sad time go out to Bernice and all the family. I will never forget Ernie and all he taught me about looking after our customers at Macdonalds Consolidated for the 10 plus years we worked together.

Frank & Jeannette Baert
Lethbridge, AB

— **Frank Baert**



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