Michael Gudzowaty



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GUDZOWATY, Michael

It is with great sadness that the family of Michael Gudzowaty announce his passing on Thursday, January 11, 2018 in Olds, AB. Michael was born in Boian, AB on April 14, 1925 to Metro and Vaselena (Kucher) Gudzowaty. He graduated from the University of Alberta in 1951 and began his 34-year teaching career in Marwayne Alberta in 1950. There he met and married the love of his life, Doris (Wilson), on July 1, 1951. In 1960, they moved to Wetaskiwin where they lived until 2016 when health care needs took them to Olds. Michael enjoyed gardening, was an avid collector of many things and will be remembered as a true gentleman who truly cared for others. He had a reverence for nature, animals and learning. Michael was a loving father, husband, grandfather and friend to all. His legacy lives on in his students, his family and all who knew and loved him. Michael will be remembered by his wife, Doris of 65 years; son, Maury (Louise) of Cochrane; daughter, Kari Lynn of Calgary; grandsons, Tyson McQuitty of Edmonton, Devin McNeilly of Calgary, Dakota Gudzowaty of Calgary and Taylor Gudzowaty of Vancouver; sisters, Vera (Julian) Lazarenko of Edmonton and Dora Krebs of Fort Saskatchewan; and many nieces and nephews and extended family. He was predeceased in death by his parents; sisters, Mary Rusiecki and Sadie Pooke; infant son, granddaughter, Jessie McQuitty; and brother in law, Don Krebs. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Br# 105, 5241 – 46 St, Olds, AB on Friday, January 19, 2018 at 1:00 pm. Interment will take place at a future date. Memorial donations

may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Calgary & S. Alberta, 1130 – 44 Avenue SE, Calgary, AB, T2G 4W6. Thank you to the Emergency Staff at Olds Hospital for their care in his last hours and a special thank you to all the staff and residents at Seasons Encore in Olds who have provided such a warm and loving home, and extended family to him. Thank you to the staff at Alternatives Funeral and Cremation Services for their professionalism in the final arrangements.

Messages of Condolence

I remember playing in the playground at school in Marwayne. Michael and Maury were sitting on the front step of their house next door. Michael was talking to his son and they were laughing and holding each other. I thought what a loving parent and what a kind man. I was sorry when the family left Marwayne. I never had him as a teacher but his kindness and fatherhood I remember well. I was about 9 when this happened. I hope this remembrance can ease your family during the sweet sorrow of parting.

— David Elliot

Dear Kari Lynn and Family,
My deepest condolences on the passing of your Dad. During this difficult time I hope you are surrounded by thoughts of support and caring. I will always remember your Dad as a kind and gentle man. Treasure all your memories, as they are priceless especially as time passes.
Keep strong and take care of yourself.
Sincerely,
Teresa

— Teresa Pawliw

I was fortunate to have been one of his students in Wetaskiwin. He was a very kind man. My deepest condolences to his family on his passing.

— Carolyn Kiss

I noticed that Michael was married to Doris Wilson and I was wondering if her parents were Eddy and Maude Wilson as they were very good friends of my parents and they had a daughter named Doris. Who I lost track of years ago. Please advise me if this is the same Doris. Thanks

— Bruce Goodwin

Wonderful, kind gentleman. He survived being my Drivers Ed teacher as well as other classes.

— Sherry Cooper

My sincere condolences to Doris and all the Gudzowaty family, on behalf of the Strong family. Michael was a true gentleman and a great neighbour to us for many years. With deepest sympathy.

— Anne Strong Greenwall

I remember Mr. Gudzowaty as a very fine man, and teacher. As a child, the Gudzowaty family lived close by to me, and Kari Lynn and I played together. I send my condolences to you all. Your Dad was one of the good guys!

— Elaine Edwards

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