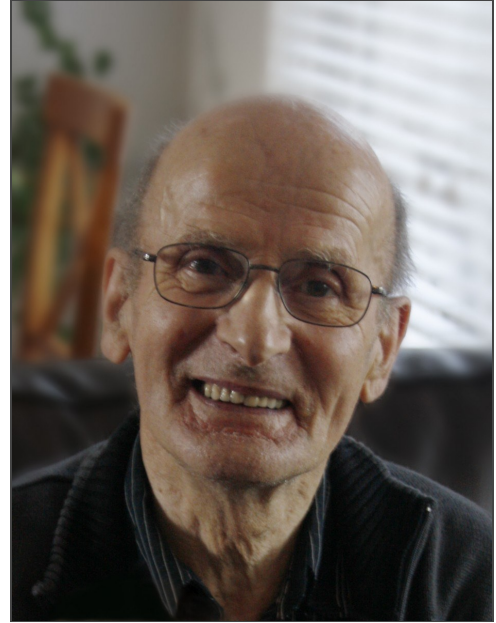


# William “Bill” Luymes

NOVEMBER 3, 2017

At age 91, the bells in the green-gabled mansion in heaven tolled for Bill Luymes at 2:30 A.M. on Friday, November 3, 2017. We are so grateful for the legacy of Christian faith that Dad and Mom (Dien) left in their wide wake. Dad, along with Mom, while they were together for 57



years, knew that their chief end in life was to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. They did that in spades by loving Him, family, friend and neighbour; all the while no doubt keenly aware of their human foibles, weaknesses, and frailties. Dad is survived by five loving and sad children: John (Joanne), Jalene, Heidi (Paul), and Rosalie; Henry (Cindy), Christopher (Linda), Samantha (Tyler), Alexander (Krystal), and Charlotte (Matthew); Janet (George), Denise (Michael), Lynae (Mike), Meaghan (Eric), and Josh (Natalie); Selene (Ron), Denver, Cody, and Jewell; Andrew (Wilma), Krystal, Jason, and Shaun; and 13 great-grandchildren. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank Ron and Marietta Harris and their extended family as Dad’s wonderful, generous, gracious employers, especially during the time Dad was called on to be both farmer and nurse as he cared for Mom in the 28 years she suffered from multiple sclerosis. We also thank Dad’s and Mom’s church community for surrounding them with love for decades, and particularly Martin and Ann Hamming and family who were nearby farm neighbours and guardian angels for many years. A big thank you to Dr. Turner and Delta Hospital staff as well. Lastly, thank you to the compassionate nurses, caregivers and staff at West Shore Laylum. You made Dad’s last months as pleasant as was possible in his

failing health. Your care for often-lonely seniors is one of the most important professions in the world.

A memorial service to honour Dad will be held at Ladner Christian Reformed Church, 4594 54A Street, at 1 P.M. on Friday, November 10, 2017. Should friends desire, a donation in Bill's name can be made to World Renew at [www.worldrenew.net](http://www.worldrenew.net)

You are invited to leave a personal message of condolence for the family.

## Messages of Condolence

To the Luymes family,

I have known Andrew and Wilma for years and through those years have spent many a Sundays after church at Bill's home for coffee before Andrew had to milk the cows. Each and every time we went there we were greeted with a genuine smile. He was such a friendly guy. Another thing we noticed is that as Mrs Luymes' health diminished over the years Bill stepped up and cared for her. The way he looked after his wife was a true example to many of us on how a husband should treat his wife. He took "in sickness and in health" to a whole new level !!! He is at peace now, together once again with his wife!! I am grateful to have known Mr. Luymes and my thoughts and prayers are with your family.

John, Jackie and Family

— **John Romeyn**

Dear John, Henry, Janet, Seline, Andrew, and Fam, we are thinking and praying for you all, with the loss of your dad, grandpa, we know he is now with his Lord!! Will always remember playing rummikub together, for some years, taking turns to each others place, so I had the privilege of seeing and visiting with your mom to, also Your dad will be missed a lot in our Bible study twice a month !! He was so knowledgeable, our deepest condolences to you all, John and Wilma van Tol,,

**— John and Wilma van Toln**

May our good and gracious God envelop you as a family with His kind, loving and compassionate care...as you mourn Bill's passing. May you also celebrate Bill's entrance into His Saviour's eternal presence and the crown of glory he now wears after a lifelong journey of faith that was coloured by incredible humility and such childlike trust in Jesus. We pray for you and commend you to the benevolent and tender mercies of our triune God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Bill was truly a wonderful, shining example of a person of faith whose daily creed and testimony was summed up in the biblical teaching that he was not His own...but belonged, body and soul, in life and in death, to His faithful Saviour Jesus. May God bless you and keep you, may He cause His face to shine upon you and may God turn His face toward you and grant you His peace. In Christ - Jim and Joan and family

**— Jim and Joan berry**

To the Luymes family our deepest and heartfelt sympathies with your father and grand/great grandfather Bill Luymes passing into Gloryr, Bill was a real prince. My first memory of both Bill and Dien were from the early sixties. We had just moved into Ladner and your parents were the very first people to invite us to their home for coffee after church. We will always remember the friendly people who were so welcoming. Henk and Bill were from the same town of Aalten yet did not know each other. We know that there is sorrow in your hearts, but from your own testimonies we also know that your strength comes from our loving God. May he bless you in the days and weeks to come.

**— Henk and Jean Nyman**

Bill made it to a couple of BSF classes in Abbotsford and his insights truly blessed me at that time. The impact of the transfiguration passage made on him had certainly transformed him over the years and Christ's qualities were reflected in him. His family has a wonderful inheritance that can not be valued in earthy terms

**— Richard & Myrna Everest**

Dear Luymes family,

Recently we heard of the death of Bill Luymes. And that brought back many memories of a gentle and loving man who tried to put into practice God's love command. We were privileged to have known Bill for the 8 years we spent in Ladner. To us he was a patient counsellor, providing support when difficult issues arose. He wanted what is best for each person but especially for the growth of the Kingdom in its various facets. We remember him as well read and willing to consider alternatives. The world has lost a precious child of God but we know he celebrates complete victory in and through Jesus. May God continue to bless the memories he has left for all of you.

**— Ann and John Vanderhoek**



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