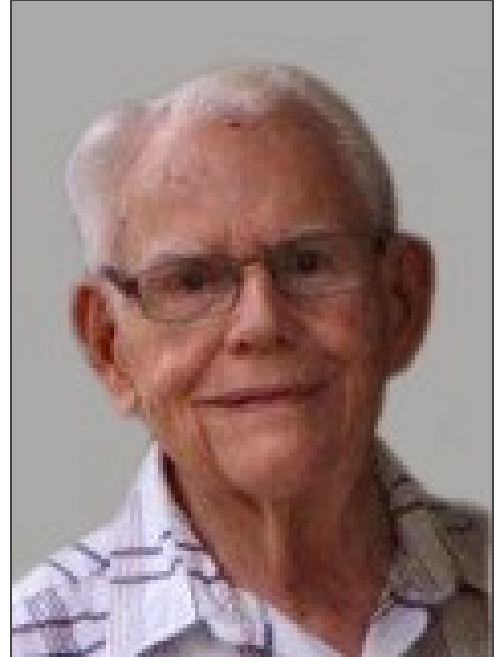


# William S. Lyon

JANUARY 30, 2019

William Lyon, known to friends and family as "Willy," passed away on January 30, 2019, at the fine age of 95 years.

Originally from Trinidad, West Indies, Willy attended the University of Pennsylvania, graduated with a degree in Dentistry and practiced in Port of Spain Trinidad for 24 years.



While living in Trinidad, Willy was a Consul for Spanish Honduras and occasionally for Costa Rica. In his position he worked to foster relations between Trinidad and Honduras and Costa Rica, by attending official gatherings of foreign dignitaries and handle matters relating to citizens such as passports, visas, and ship clearances.

In 1973 Willy and his family immigrated to Yorkton, Saskatchewan where he established a thriving Dental practice. He was well-known in the community. He often provided dental services in return for produce as payment. His gentle touch was comforting to all his patients.

After practicing Dentistry for 40 years, 16 of them in Yorkton, Willy retired in 1989. Always wanting to remain active and learning, Willy accepted a volunteer position in 1993 as a board member for the Anderson Lodge Board. He wanted to learn about homes for seniors, help people and meet new people. He served on the board for 2 years.

The church was a very important aspect of Willy's life and he was very active at St. Gerard's and served as a reader and communion minister and was a Grand

Knight in the Knights of Columbus. He provided Spanish interpretation for Latin American refugees the church sponsored through the Open Door Society. In 1977 he became a licensed amateur radio operator which entailed learning Morse code. He often transmitted messages all over the world on behalf of family and friends including during emergency situations. On his arrival in Yorkton he was encourage to join a curling team and he took up the challenge and curled for several years. In later years his knees felt the effects of his curling.

Willy's love of all types of cuisines was well know! He looked forward to enjoying food with family and friends. In addition, he was an accomplished cook and baker. Each Christmas he would lovingly make Venezuelan pastels which was a day long process. Many have sampled and fell in love with his homemade bread, cinnamon buns and tea rings. He even became a pro at making homemade jam and jellies.

When computers became popular, Willy, attended numerous classes to learn how to use computers and different software. He was keenly interested in how it worked and purchased his own home computer and later had an iPhone and kept in contact via email and text. He mastered using Skype and had many wonderful Skype calls with family and friends. He always loved gadgets and would often buy the latest one on the market- mostly he liked getting a deal on his purchases!

Over the years Willy enjoyed travelling. He and his wife took their family on many adventures travelling in the Caribbean, Canada, the US and Europe. It was always an opportunity to meet up with friends and family who were spread out all over the world.

Willy will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 64 years, Alison (nee Freakley), and his children Adrian (Merrilyn), Nicholas, Marc, and Suzanne (Anthony) and his previous daughter-in-law, Lana. Willy will also be fondly remembered by his 4 grandchildren Scott (Crystal), Shaun (Robin), Jesse and Bryn and one great-granddaughter Olivia, and by his brother Jose, and his nephews Tony and

Eduardo. Willy was predeceased by his sister-in law Pat and grandson Tyson.

Funeral Mass be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in Resurrection Roman Catholic Church, 3155 Windsor Park Road, Regina, SK with Father Rick Krofchek, Celebrant.

Memorial donations may be made to the Allan Blair Cancer Clinic <https://cancerfoundationsask.ca/donate/in-memory-gift/> or the Canadian Diabetes Association

<https://www.diabetes.ca/contact/general-inquiries/saskatchewan-regional-offices>

## Messages of Condolence

Our sympathy and Prayers go out to you Alison and your family. We are quite sure Willy is at peace. Thank you for allowing us to see and read the wonderful Obituary.

— **William T Stone & Emmeline Stone**

Uncle Willie will forever remain in that special place in my heart, 'fondest people and memories'. In my early childhood, he always had a kind word, a gentle hug and a reassuring smile. Although he migrated when I was just 16, he was a true friend to my family, my dad's best friend and colleague, my brother's godfather and a 'light' in the times we saw him. Uncle Willy, fly with the angels and may the Saints sing you into Heaven. Condolences to aunty Alison and family.

— **Wendy Senior Gomez**

My dearest Alison...I am so sorry for your loss and wish I could have come and seen you both one more time. I so enjoyed seeing and talking to you both and I will treasure the memories of our times with the Lay Sevice on our special Sunday's. Our thoughts and prayers are with you today and always. We are away the day of the service, so we will not be there. Upon our return, I will come up and visit for a time.

May God keep you and your Family in the Shadow of His Grace during this most difficult time.

God Bless

Dan & Shirley Devers

— **Dan W Devers**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you Alison and your family. It has always been a delight meeting both of you either on the bay or at church. The radiant and warm smiles that were sent our way filled us joy! I am very grateful that you both were a part of our lives. Willie will be greatly missed. May God bring you peace, comfort and love as you go through this difficult time. Sending our love

— **Colleen Hoffort**

RIP Uncle Willy. Fly high with the angels. You were a wonderful friend to all my family. Lots of love and hugs Auntie Allison and all the family. Uncle Willy will never be forgotten, until you are all together again. Xoxoxo

— **Marian Robertson**

Our deepest condolences to the Lyon family.

May the Lord receive his son into his loving arms and give him eternal peace and rest.

God's Richest Blessings to the entire family.

From all of us at JHCL.

— **Jesse Henderson Co. Ltd**

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Dr. Willie Lyon. My memory of Uncle Willie was as a child in Trinidad still sucking my thumb, he told me in front of my parents that they should give me 25c for each day that I stop sucking my thumb. He gave me my first 25c and my parents took it from there. Our father, Carlos Lyon was your father's cousin. We are so sorry for your loss. Blessing from Jo-Ann Lyon Miller, Bobbi Lyon Evelyn and Fay Lyon Galt.

— **Jo-Ann Lyon Miller**

Our sincerest condolences to Lyon family on Willy's passing.

Very sincerely,

Tina and David Bain

Fort Walton Beach, Florida

— **David A Bain**

Heartfelt condolences to the Lyon family. I worked with Dr. Lyon as a dental assistant in Trinidad for a few years. I enjoyed my job with him. He was an easy compassionate person. and very caring to all his patients.. I lost touch of him when he migrated.

I certainly could not wish for a better boss.

I pray God that his souls rest in eternal ☐ 9xbpeace.

Dance with the Angels

— **Denise Dookeran Lue Yat**

I am remembering all the good times, and those special moments that will forever be held in my heart.

Sending strength and blessings to Alison, Marc and Family.

— **Lana Lee Lyon**

We offer our sincere condolences to Alison and her Family.

— **Al and Mildred Hoerber**



<https://www.myalternatives.ca/obituaries/lyon-william-s>

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