Ron MacDonald

DECEMBER 11, 2019

Ron MacDonald, late of Bechard, Saskatchewan, passed away peacefully at the Regina General Hospital on December 11, 2019 at the age of 81 years. He was predeceased by his parents John and Hilda MacDonald; sisters Marion and Dorothy. Ron is survived by his loving wife of 59 years Darla; son Bill (Wanda); daughter Deb (Ed); the apples of his eyes, his grandchildren Jason and Nathan (Tanis) and great-grandchildren Alexa-Rose, Averi-Lynn and Wyatt. He was looking forward to meeting his newest great-grandchild Amara, due in February 2020. Ron is also survived by nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Ron was born and raised on the family farm at Bechard, Saskatchewan and although he retired at 70, the love of farming and living on the farm was never far from his heart. He and Darla shared many adventures together over their many years of traveling to Weslaco and Harlingen to escape the cold winters. When they were home for cold months, they shared a love of playing and watching curling.

Ron loved hockey and especially his beloved Leafs. His hat “Leafie” traveled the world thanks to some fun-loving cousins! When the Leafs and Habs played on Saturday nights the air in the house was electric.

Family and friends were always a priority to Ron and he was always ready for a good visit and a hearty laugh. He loved entertaining at the farm and many summer nights were spent enjoying great food and amazing company around the firepit or

camping with their fifth wheel.

The family wishes a heartfelt thank you to the doctors and nurses on 3F and the Emergency Department. Your care and compassion was beyond measure.

Flowers gratefully declined. Donation may be made to the Regina Humane Society.

At Ron’s request there will be no funeral service. Ron was loved by all and will be missed and remembered by all who knew him. We know Ron was met lovingly at Heaven’s door by his family and good friends. He is in good hands. We love you Ron and will meet again.

Messages of Condolence

I was so blessed to have Ron, a truly wonderful and caring man, in my life for the last sixty years. I watched the love that he and Darla shared for all those years and they were such role models for all of us. Ron made the most of life working hard, traveling, sharing so many special times with family and friends, lending a hand if someone needed it or offering good advice if asked for it. What he loved most in life was his family and he was so very proud of Deb, Bill and their families. Thanks for the love and laughter Ron. I will always cherish my memories.

— Karen Jaques

Darla, Bill, Deb & family. Our sincere condolences to you all. He truly was a kind & gentle man. Always enjoyed visiting & having a few drinks. May your memories of him comfort you all during this time.

— Bonnie & Daryl Holzapfel

Our hearts are broken. We enjoyed many visits at the farm. Ron was so proud of his garden they grew and my favourite was the fires and roasting hot dogs and marshmallows. He always had his wood pile ready to keep the fire going. He was a gentle man. Loved him and will sure miss him RIP Ron.

— Barbara Senger

Dear Darla and family. So sorry for your Loss. My fondest memories is camping with Ron and you at the Big Valley Jamboree. We had so much fun. My deepest sympathy.

— VALERIE MIDDLETON

My condolences Bill and Wanda and family and Deb. Sorry to hear Ron Passed away. Ron was a pretty cool fellow as I recall. May he Rest In Peace.

— Larry Schiefner.

Darla. Condolences to your family. Thoughts and prayers during this trying time

— Rita Folk

Dearest Darla, Bill, Debbie and family:
Our memories of your family are so precious. We were always welcomed with "open arms" and an "open door" at your farm, always felt like family. Regrettably, our paths went in different directions in recent years, however those memories are forever indelible. Ron will be missed dearly. Rest in peace Ron. Heartfelt hugs to all

— Rich & Julie Morley

Dearest Darla and family,
I am so saddened by your loss. Ron was very loved and will be missed by so many. I would like to think that he's enjoying a drink with Grandma Kerr right now

— Stephanie Halvorson (Mack)

Bill and Darla we are so sorry to hear Dad has passed! We send our condolences! He is in a better place now! We love you guys! Wayne and Joan

— Joan and Wayne O’Byrne

Darla & family. Our heartfelt sympathy at this most difficult time. Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you.

— Pat & Chuck Burks

We were saddened to hear of Ron’s passing and want to send our condolences to Darla, Bill, Deb and the rest of the family.
Bill and I have cherished memories that will always be in our hearts forever
Our visits to the farm, and our camping trips will remain our most precious times forever.
Until we meet again Ron Rest In Peace
Love always Bill and Cindy Wilkinson

— Bill & Cindy Wilkinson

Darla Deb , Ed..Bill, Wanda Nathan , Jason .He was a very very nice man , he will be definitely missed but always remembered. Big hugs to you all xox

— Rosanne & Pat

Ron

What a man! We didn’t see you often enough, but when we did the times were wonderful.

So many fond memories and all of them have a story…tackle football on your lawn…the mud flying rides…sending Patrick Roy to Colorado…poutine…Leafy …”I am not missing the game, so that is why I am sitting in the dark at 6:00 in the morning…the Lang parade…that dog fetches rocks, oh oh not the car window…this is how you kill a pig…Quebec crop analysis…Lac Barron…and the stories go on and on.

You have left us to soon, but you will be forever in our hearts.

Lovingly,

Judy, Randy and family

— Judy Swedburg

Deb & Ed I’m so sorry to hear your dad has passed. I remember his great sense of humour. There was always a lot of laughter when your dad was around.

Condolences to all of the family.

— Tracey Kyrylchuk

Our sincere and heart felt condolences to you Darla, Deb, Bill and family! It’s been a life time of adventures and memories that I know my mom and dad hold dear to their hearts as all of us kids grew up hearing all about them! From trips out to the farm, Grey cup parties or laughs over a few vodkas (with just splash of pop… if Ron was making them) Ron was an amazing man who was loved by all. Love and hugs to you all! Cheers Ron!

— Lynn & the McNiven clan

Our paths never crossed that often but when we were able to visit, it was like we had been friends forever. Your doors were always open wide and your heart even wider. Thanks for being a part of our treasured memories.
Our deepest condolences to you Darla and your family.
Memories are precious and can never be taken from us.

— Darcy & Loretta Smith

So sorry to hear of Ron’s passing. We always enjoyed his company when he and Darla came to visit with Rena & Lolly and considered him extended family. Our heartfelt condolences to Darla and the rest of the family.

— Emily & Ralph McNiven

Words do little to express how it feels to lose someone you love. Just know that you are in our thoughts at this sad time. You have our deepest sympathy.

— Gord and Carolyn Cox

So many heart warming memories, when I think of Ron. I will cherish them. I can't help but smile when I think about running around the farm, as a kid, watching Oliver run free, and eating grass, and sitting around so many campfires sharing stories, great company and food. My love, hugs and prayers to all my family, at this time. We are all better people to have had him in our lives.

— Tanya Strom

Darla, Bill, Deb and families very sorry to hear of Ron's passing, I always enjoyed my talks with Ron at the parts counter, a great guy who I was fortunate to know!!!

— Wes Grozell

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