Robert James James Nelson

FEBRUARY 28, 2018

Robert James (Bob) Nelson passed away in the Red Deer Hospital on Wed, Feb 28, 2018 at the age of 68 years.

Bob was born in Red Deer Sept 21, 1949 to Royal and Mary Nelson. He lived his whole life in Red Deer, attending Central School and graduating from Lindsay Thurber Composite High School. He worked as an attendant at Michener Center for a few years, but his career was with Canadian Pacific Railway, from which he retired in 2013.

Bob married the love of his life Diane (Taylor) in 1976. To this union 3 children were born, Jim, Mary Jean and Ann. Bob loved the outdoors and got great pleasure from fishing and camping. He had the ability to sit still and observe the animals for very long periods, and when the beast had moved away he could describe in detail what it looked like and what it had done. Bob and his brothers were involved in the scouting movement and he took great pride in receiving the level of Queen Scout.

Bob leaves to mourn his loss his wife Diane, children Jim, Mary Jean (Greg) Elliot, and Ann (Sean Ramage) Nelson. His beloved grand-children Taylor Nelson, Melissa, Donna and Mathew Elliot; Justin Belitsky and Lilly Ramage. He is also survived by his mother Mary Nelson;his siblings and in-laws, Barbara (Gary) Lawrence, Bill (Barbara) Nelson, David (Debra) Nelson, Doug Nelson, and Kathy (Ian) Nelson-Campbell; Edmund (Cheryl)Taylor. He leaves 10 nieces and and nephews and many great nieces and nephews. He also leaves uncles and aunts:

Robert (Iyla) Brewster, Lorna Sinclair, Melva Brewster, Betty Brewster, Albert (Michele) Brewster, Betty Matheson, and Emma Nelson.

A Memorial Service will be held at Gaetz United Church, 4758 Ross St., Red Deer, AB on Friday, March 9, 2018 at 1:00 PM.

Messages of Condolence

So sorry to hear about Bob - my prayers and thoughts are with you

— sharon -{herron} riggins

Very sorry to hear about Bob. He was a great guy who will be missed by many people here in Red Deer. Sincere condolences from the Sutherland family

— Jim Sutherland

I only knew Bob from the Dawe swimming pool. He was always good for a little chat. It is too bad that he did not get a lot more years of retirement. My condolences to the family.

— Grace Pearson

So sorry for your loss.

— June Nielsen (Marriott)

My sincere condolences to you and your family Diane. I know how much you loved Bob and how you will miss him. He always had a pleasant smile and hello whenever I saw him @ Tim's. So sorry to hear of his passing. Keeping you close in prayer.

Elaine Quinn

— Elaine Quinn

I am so sorry for your loss Diane, prayers for you and your family

— Marsha Meyers (Arbuckle)

So very sorry for your loss Diana

Bob was a wonderful person very helpful and kind God Bless you

— JAN MARTIN

I appreciated the simplicity of the words he choose. He gave me insight into my cat having her own consequences for climbing too high up a tree: the magpies came in & dive bombed her. He carried his cigarettes in his shirt, the same way my Dad did. He was gentle and I liked him for that.

— Sylvia