

William Victor Pauls

JULY 26, 2017

PAULS, William Victor

William V. Pauls passed away on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at the age of ninety, surrounded by family members.

Bill was born on September 6, 1926 in Chortiza, Russia to Wilhelm and Maria Pauls. This new family then left Russia and arrived in Manitoba in November, 1926. The family moved to

Alberta in 1928. Bill attended school in New Brigden and Sedalia. When the family moved to the Didsbury area, Bill attended the New Bergthal School. After starting high school in Didsbury, he finished high school at Rosthern Junior College in Rosthern, Saskatchewan, graduating in 1945. Bill was baptized in June, 1946 in the Bergthal Mennonite Church. He then enrolled at the University of Alberta in Edmonton and earned his first teaching certificate. After years of study at evening classes and summer school, he would be granted a Bachelor of Education Degree in 1970.

Bill married Eunice Neufeld in August, 1949. They had 3 sons before she passed away. He then married Hertha Dahl in August, 1958 and a daughter was born to them.

Bill retired from teaching mainly in Crossfield and Airdrie after 30 plus years. His other activities included bookkeeping, serving many positions in his church, on Crossfield town council and truck driving. Favored pastimes of his included hockey, curling, camping and cars, both old and new.



He is survived and lovingly remembered by children, Larry (Linda), Dwayne (Diana McMillan), Michael (Marie) and Charlene (Brian) Neufeld; nine grandchildren, Lesli (Matthew) Loewen, Lindsay (David) McDonough, Alison (Samuel) Barber, Karin (Mark) Zacharias, Bill Pauls, Jim Pauls (Jessica Mitchell), Emily Pauls, Cory (Dana) Maennchen and Reg Neufeld (Lindsey Waldner); and fourteen great grandchildren, Reuben, Hannah, Faith, Erik, Evan, Sabrina, Zoey, Ian, Lauchlan, Abigail, Seth, Verity, Zara and Selina.

Bill was predeceased by Hertha in 2011; his mother in 1996; his father in 1990; Eunice in 1956; sister, Serena in 1939 and brother, Erwin in 1934.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Bergthal Mennonite Church, Didsbury, AB on Saturday, August 5, 2017 at 2:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in William's memory to the Canadian Bible Society, 10 Carnforth Road, Toronto, ON, M4A 9Z9.

Messages of Condolence

Bill and my Father, Leon Mason were close friends. Bill and my Father curled together for many years at the Crossfield Curling Club and when I took up the sport, I played on the same team as Bill for my first few years. Bill was always calm and very easy going.

Bill was also my Typing Teacher in grade 10. Now I am not too sure what Bill knew about typing at the time, and I also wondered what in the world would I ever need typing skills for. Well I am sure Bill knew more than me and those typing skills sure came in handy all those years that followed.

I have very fond memories of Bill.

Keith Mason

— **Keith Mason**

Bill Paul's family,

We were sorry to learn of Mr. Paul's passing. We are remembering him as a wonderful teacher and an even finer human being.

May he rest in peace.

Gerald and Maureen Borbridge

— **Gerald Borbridge**

My condolences to all of the family . My sisters and I were students of his in Crossfield and Airdrie and of course we lived across the street for many years. Michael and Dwayne, we played together as very young children "many" years ago.

— **Janice Lauzon nee Stafford**

Mr. Pauls was a good and respected teacher at Crossfield School and he and his family were great neighbours on our street. May his family know he was appreciated by many.

— **Carol (Stafford) Morrison**

I have fond memories of Mr. Pauls as my teacher and then principal. He was so calm that absolutely nothing seemed to bother him.

We also lived as neighbours in Crossfield for many years.

— **Gaylen Stafford**

So sorry to hear of your loss.

— **Jo Tennant**



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