

Leslie Plett

MAY 8, 2020

It is with sadness, the family of Leslie R. Plett announce the passing of a beloved husband, father and grandpa on Friday, May 8, 2020 at the age of 77. He will be dearly missed by Marian, his wife of 55 years; as well as his children, Roland (& Nadine), Twylla (& Randy), Melodie (& Henry), Trevor (& Joellen); and his grandchildren, Nicole, Jeffrey, Regan (& Jeffrey), Braeden, Carter, Rachel, Kabrie (& Jimmy), Rebecca, Justin, Lexi, Damian, Ethan, Riyan and Caleb.



It is with joy we remember that he is now pain-free in his eternal home, heaven, with his brothers, Clarence, Elmer and Bill; as well his parents, Peter AK Plett & Margaret Reimer Plett; and his favourite sister, Annie.

Les was born in the small town of Lorette, MB and grew up around extended family in Landmark, MB. In his early 20's, he married the love of his life, Marian, and together they moved where his construction jobs took him. For a few years he tried his hand at farming near Treesbank, MB and while this lasted only a few years, since then he often burst into stories when he spotted a field of cows. After farming, he started his own construction company and for several years was the biggest residential builder in Brandon, MB.

After moving the family to Calgary in 1989, he furthered a hobby he had started in his youth, building art out of scraps of wood in his shop. He was known as the Schnitzelmeister (master of cuttings) at Calgary train shows where he displayed

his handmade wooden to-scale steam engine and coal car. His latest project was a full size, 1904 Oldsmobile made almost entirely out of wood.

He will be remembered as a man who lit up the room with conversation when he entered. It didn't matter whether you'd met before, when you walked away you knew you mattered. Perhaps it was his love of people that inspired his conversations with Plett relatives worldwide that fuelled the 3 genealogy books he published in his lifetime.

A Celebration of Life will take place at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS)

<https://mds.mennonite.net/donate/>

Messages of Condolence

We were very surprised to hear of Les s passing! We send our heartfelt condolences to Marion and Family!

We considered Les a good friend! It was always a pleasure to visit!
Our love and prayers are with you, Marion and family,

Wilmer and Pearl Reimer

— **Wilmer & Pearl Reimer**

Hi Marian and family. I remember Les with great fondness as a man who loved good conversation and loved his Lord. I am sorry for your loss but happy for Les's gain. Mourning with you....Ruth

— **Ruth Tonn**

So sorry for your loss ! Our love to Marion and the family - especially to Roland and Nadine! We have such fond memories of Les welcoming and chatting with us at SunWest church ! A more genuine soul there never was !

— **Del Thiessen**

Marian and Family,

We were sad to hear of his passing. I (Deborah) would often see him in Tim Hortons when I was there, having coffee with his friends, offering a listening ear. He would always welcome me with a smile and a twinkle in his eye. Pleasant memories indeed.

May the sweet memories continue to carry you through this time of grief.

Kevin & Deborah McInnes

— **Kevin & Deborah McInnes**

Dear Aunt Marian, Roland, Twylla, Melody and Trevor...I send you my love and hugs during this time of loss. Uncle Les was a wonderful, encouraging uncle to me. I truly felt loved and accepted by him! ♥

— **Flo Belanger**

Aunt Marion and family - we are saddened to hear of Uncle Les's passing. Our thoughts are with you all as you both celebrate his life and grieve his absence from your daily lives. We will miss him.

Peace,

Tim and Corinne

— **Tim and Corinne Plett**

Thinking and praying for all of you, at this tough point in your lives!!
Take care of yourselves!!

Heidi and Chris and family

— **Heidi and Chris Friesen**

We're so sorry for the loss of your father; Melodie and family.
May God's comfort, love & peace be with you Throughout this time.
Praying for you & your family

— **Helen & Jake Wall**

Mel, Henry & family, you've been in our thoughts and prayers. We're here if you need anything. Love to you all.

— **Wayne & Cheryl Smele**

Dear Aunt Marion and family, we send you our love and hugs across the miles at this difficult time. Our condolences.

— **Leah & Jeff**

So sad to hear of Les' passing! Take care of yourself, Marion in this time of sorrow!
My hugs to the kids and their children too.

Once this pandemic is over, I will call you and shall make arrangements to visit in person.

Joy Plett

— **Joy Plett**

I was looking at Leslie's Abraham L. Plett genealogy today, and having fond memories of his visits to the Mennonite Heritage Centre where I worked from 1994-2013. I was surprized and saddened to discover via this online obituary that he passed away 2 1/2 years ago. He was a wonderful man. Sorry to learn of your loss, but hoping you too will continue to cherish the memories. [I am a third cousin, a descendant of Sarah L. Plett who married Jacob J. Thielmann.)

— **Alf Redekopp**



<https://www.myalternatives.ca/obituaries/plett-leslie>

Printed on June 3, 2026