

Donald Lloyd Thompson

APRIL 29, 2017

THOMPSON, Donald Lloyd

Donald Thompson passed away peacefully at the Didsbury Hospital surrounded by his family on Saturday, April 29, 2017 at the age of 86 years. He was born to Alfred and Edith Thompson on March 27, 1931 at the family farm east of Didsbury in the Lone Pine district. As a young man, he worked the farm and met and married Shirley Spraggs on October 29, 1953. In 1966, they sold the farm and Don pursued his welding career with Nodwell in Calgary. In July of 1967, they moved back to Didsbury where Don worked at the Didsbury Auction Mart and then retired from the Chinooks Edge School Division after 22 years as a custodian. Don was most in his element when surrounded by his family. He also enjoyed flying his plane and loved camping, ski-doing and took many bus trips with Shirley travelling across Canada and the USA. He attended the shooting range in Carstairs and served on the board of the Didsbury 5-0 Club.

He will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Shirley of 63 years; children, Kathleen (Brian) Francis, Kelvin (Wendy) Thompson and Kelly (Patty) Thompson; grandchildren, Jamie (Kristina), Lisa (Shaun), Joe (Crystal) and Jen (Bryan); great grandchildren, Sarah, Hannah, Zaylex, Kayden and Calista. Don is predeceased by his sister, Beverly Gole and his parents. A private Family Service was held on Friday, May 5, 2017 in Didsbury, AB.



Messages of Condolence

Dear Kelly, Patty, Grandma Thompson and family, we are so sorry to hear of the passing of Grandpa Thompson. Unfortunately we didn't have the pleasure of meeting him but all the stories we have heard from Jen and Bryan, as well as yourselves, makes us wish we had. Know you are all in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time.

Love,

Steve, Darlene, Michelle and Brad

— **Darlene, Steve, Michelle and Brad**

Dear Shirley and family,

On behalf of the staff of Didsbury High School, we extend to all of you our sincerest and deepest sympathies on the passing of your loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most sad and difficult time.

— **Didsbury High School**

Dear Shirly and family my thoughts are with you at this time. Marty and Lorraine

— **Marty Schrader**

Dear Shirley and family , our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most sad and difficult time .

— **Keith and Maxine Walroth**

Dear Shirely and family, Judy and I would like to extend our deepest sympathy in this time of sorrow. It was very nice to know and work with Don and yourself.

— **Pierre Martel**

Shirley and family so very sorry for the loss of Don. May all the memories help you at this time of sorrow. Mylene and Bruce.

— **Mylene Fox**

Dear Shirley and family So sorry to read of Donalds passing. I have lots of fond memories of the good old days as you will have to.

— **Eileen Miller**

Vern has many fond memories of Don from there auction mart days. Wanted you to know we are thinking of you.

Vern & Judy

— **Vern & Judy McMann**

Dear Shirley,

We want to send our condolences to you on the occasion of Don's passing. Don Neal told us that Don had been unwell for quite a while
We trust that you are getting rested up after your long period of watching him decline.

Love,

Willis and Joyce

— **Willis and Joyce Amstutz**



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