Henry Vanderleest

DECEMBER 24, 2019

A terrific husband, father, grandfather and friend to many. Henry was born in Menaldum, Holland to Geert and Trijntje van der Leest. He is survived by his brother Dick (Tineke), his sister Jelly, and predeceased by sisters Teena and Colby. When he was 18, his mother encouraged him to come to Canada. He moved to Canada and began a life that was built upon the many values he lived by: strength of character, honesty, hard-work, family and kindness. After he arrived in Truax Saskatchewan, he met Sabine Beingessner and it forever changed their lives. For the next 66 years Hank was an amazing husband and a wonderful dad to Terry (Joyce), Joseph (Mary), Brandi, Chris (Art), Marianne and Henry (Judy). He was predeceased by his son-in-law Allan. He is very fondly remembered by his many grandchildren: Gillian, Monnell, Justin, Lindsay, Christi, Whitney, Jesse, Drew, Rihana, Nicole, Calvin and a handful of great-grandchildren. Henry will be forever missed by his wife Sabine, his family here and in Holland but also by his many dear friends.

Henry was an ambitious man that believed if you worked hard you would succeed. When younger he drove semi-trailers and started a dairy farm and then transitioned to grain farming. He instilled many of his values in his children and grandchildren. He took time to have enjoyment and balance in life. Over the years he was a boxer, skater, soccer player, dancer, fisherman and a hunter. Henry’s other passion was hunting with his greyhound dogs.

Hours were spent fishing in his retirement years on Lake Diefenbaker and Last Mountain Lake.

On Tuesday, December 24, 2019, Henry Vanderleest passed away surrounded by family at the age of 89 years.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, December 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the new building at Ross Machine Shop, 40 Kress Street, Regina, SK. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Henry may be made to the Smiles Foundation (www.smilesfoundation.org).

Messages of Condolence

To my special uncle. RIP and many thanks for all the special moments. I love you all.

— Sjoerd-Dirk van der Leest

Henk will always be in our hearts, lot of strength

— Ben en Gerda van de Pavoordt

Oom Henk was a great man.
I have great memories of him.
He will be missed!!

— Rixt van de Pavoordt

Henry & Judy and family! So sorry for your loss! Our heartfelt sympathy!

— Kelly & Brian Sillee

Deepest sympathy to you Henry and Judy and family. Always enjoyed visiting with your Dad and Mom when they stopped by the shop.

— Brenda Kingston

Sending our deepest sympathies Henry, Judy and family.

— Tania Novak

So sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers

— Mike and Kim Suchan

So sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one.
May your memories of him comfort you.

— Heather Johnson

Dear familiy, sorry for this loss. We wish you all the strength. We think about you.
Uncle Henk, rip.
Lots of love! Cyrilla, kian (our son) and Gerard van der Leest

— Cyrilla and Gerard

My heartfelt condolences Tante Sabine, Joe, Chris, Henry, Marianne, Brandi and Terry for the loss of a wonderful husband and dad. He’ll be sorely missed by everyone who knew him.
Yteke, Delmer and Amanda

— Yteke Visser

RIP my friend. Henk you were more than that. Great memories you helped create will not be forgotten.

— Jeremy Lacasse

Dear family, so sorry to hear of your loss. We have so many great memories of the times growing up with the great neighbours across the road. Henry always had a big hello and time for everyone. Grant Ring

— Grant Ring

Chris and all of the family
Our sincere condolences - may the many special memories comfort you.

— Marj & Brent Heisler

My sincere condolences to Henry's family, especially to Henry, Judy & their family. With fond memories of Ross Machine Shop days. Albert Potyondi

— Albert Potyondi

I'm sorry for your loss. I want to express my gratitude for the many happy memories I have spending time on the family farm.

— Pat (Baker)

Henry and Judy - I'm sorry to hear about the passing of Henry's father. Janice and I offer our condolences to you and your family at this difficult time. It is never easy when we lose a family member, and it is even harder when it happens during the holiday season when family is gathered together. Please feel free to contact me if I can help in any way.

— Dave Sinclair

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