Bernard Keith Wentzell

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WENTZELL, Bernard

Wentzell, Bernard Keith, 82, passed away at home surrounded by his family on Sunday, August 20, 2017 in Calgary, Alberta. Bernie was born on December 14th, 1934 to Moyle and Clara (Levy) Wentzell in Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia.

At seventeen, Bernie began working for CN Rail and he always looked back on those seven years and the sound of the train whistle with fondness. In 1963, he became the Branch Manager of Powrmatic Ltd. in Halifax, a job he dearly loved. During those 33 years at Powrmatic, he and his wife Winnie travelled the world on numerous company trips. Upon retirement, Bernie discovered his love for bridge with his friends at the Halifax Bridge Club. Then in 2012, he joined his daughter’s family in Calgary, AB. A beloved father and grandfather, Bernie will be sorely missed.

Survived by his daughter Lisa Wentzell-Perry and her husband Brad Perry, grandchildren Brennan and Aislinn (Perry), brother Darren (Kingston, NS) and sister Marilyn (Calgary, AB). He was preceded in death by his wife Winnifred (Wood), his parents, and sister (Velma).

A Funeral Service will be held at St. Francis by the Lakes Church, 192 First Lake Drive, Lower Sackville on Wednesday, September 6th, 2017 at 10:00 am.

The family would like to extend our gratitude to the Calgary Cardiac Function Team for all their support.

Messages of Condolence

Sorry to hear. Bernie us to come around about once a year in the 1960's, re: Powermatic. My parents went on company trips with Bernie and his wife.

— Terry Burry

I have fond memories of trips with your Dad and Mom, the last one being Paris. We enjoyed a dinner cruise on the Seine, we visited Versailles and saw a show at Moulin Rouge together.

I'm sorry for your loss.

Earl Chute, President of Andrew's Department Store (retired)

— Earl Chute

Bernie was the most awesome gentleman I have ever seen. During my stay with Lisa's family (a daughter of Bernie) for about 10 months in 2014-2015 as an exchange student, it was a real plesure knowing him and staying with him. He was super nice, courteous, open-minded, and respectful in spite of our cultural, generational, linguistic gaps. He was my family, my friend and even my Canadian grandfather. I have so many great memories with him. It was an honor for me to have those kind of memories.
I remember the time when I left Canada for getting back to my country, Republic of Korea. We said good bye and he told me we might see each other again in heaven pointing the sky. I said we would see again in Canada in the near future and I gave him bowing (Korean way of showing respect to someone : wishing someone long and healty life) with my gratitude. Yes, you were right Bernie. We couldn't see in this life, but you will be missed and will be in my memory. So many emotional stuffs are passing throught my brain now. I will see you in the heaven someday.
Untill that time comes, I really wish " May him Rest In Peace " and my condolences are with Lisa, Brad, Brennan, Aislinn.

— Choonghyuk (Pavel) Han

Hi Lisa
Sorry to hear about Bernie. My thoughts are with you and your family.
Love,
Tina and family

— Tina (Wood) Roy

So sorry to hear that Bernie has passed. Met him in1978 and will never forget him. A gentleman and a true character. May he rest in peace. Sincere condolences. Jon and Cathy Denman

— jon denman

Bernie and Winnie were long time friends and we were saddened to learn of his passing. We met in a chance encounter in a Connecticut restaurant years ago.

— Carole McGivney and Jim Goddeau

Dear Lisa, Brad, Brennan and Aislinn, My deepest sympathy on the passing of your precious Dad and grandfather. ,,,sending love and hugs to you Lisa and my deepest condolences to you all. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love Carmelita

— Carmelita Hearn

My deepest sympathies to Brad, Lisa, Brennan and Aislinn. It was a pleasure meeting Bernie the few times I did and such a gentle man he was. May Bernie Rest in Peace.

— Betty Dustan

Lisa, Brad and family, we are so sad to hear of Bernie's passing. He was a wonderful guy, and he has a wonderful family. We hope your memories will keep him close in the days and years to come.

— Jim and Rhonda Musgrave
