

In Loving Memory of  
*Bertram Norman Russell*

May 26, 1943 - March 17, 2023

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 25, 2023  
Punnichy Community Hall  
Punnichy, SK

**Officiant**

Darcy Swiderski

**Poems**

Ode to a Farmer - Louise McDougall  
He is Gone - Donna Mutlow

**Eulogist**

Wanda Breti

**Urn Bearers**

Todd & Trevor Russell

**Interment**

Punnichy Community Cemetery  
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*God Saw You Getting Tired*

God saw you getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be;

So he put his arms around you,  
And whispered, "Come to me".

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer,

And watched you fade away;  
Although we loved you dearly,  
We could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard working hands to rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
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Bert was predeceased by his parents Wilfred and Alice Russell; his sister Lorraine Schmidt; and his brothers-in-law Bernie Schmidt, Bob McDougall, and James Breti; and his sister-in-law Helen Breti.

Bert will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 55 years, Doreen; son Todd (Tammy) and their two children Tanner and Ty; son Trevor (Cherine) and their two children Tate and Tori; his brothers and sisters Louise, Joyce (Don), Wayne (Barb), Marlene, and Dale (Sharon); Brothers-in-law Joe (Georgette), Don (Joyce); sisters-in-law Donna (Barry), Janet ; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Bert was born on the farm in the Perryville area, north of Punnichy, Sk. He quit school at an early age to help his parents on the farm. In the early sixties he worked with sewer and water construction in Punnichy, Kelvington and Wakaw, and with construction of the GM garage in Raymore. From 1977 to present time he worked as a patrol operator for the RM of Touchwood for a total of 47.5 years. From 1967-1977 he was custodian at the Punnichy Elementary School. He was also a farmer for 61 years.

Bert was an avid sports fan of all sports. The TV remote was a hot commodity in our house. He played ball with the Punnichy Orioles and hockey with the Punnichy Blues. They won Provincial C Championship in 1972. He also curled and volunteered at the rink as ice-maker, caretaker, coffee maker- you name it for over 25 years. In 2003 he was presented with an award for his volunteer services by the Punnichy Recreation Board which was sponsored by Saskatchewan Lotteries.

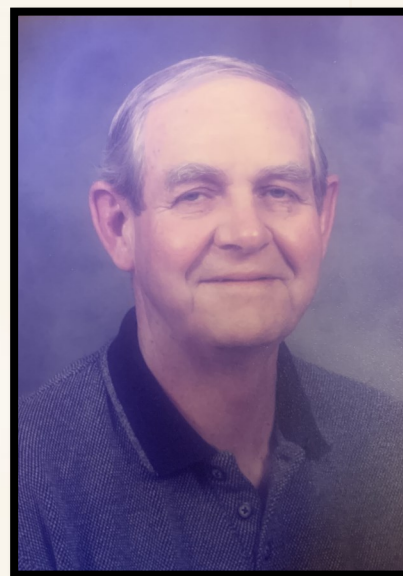
The family is grateful for the excellent care he received in Palliative Care at the Pasqua Cancer Clinic in Regina. Bert will be forever loved, missed and cherished.

Donations in Bert's's memory may be made to  
Palliative Care Unit- Pasqua Hospital, 1401 Dewdney Avenue · Regina, SK · S4T 1A5  
or to Punnichy Community Cemetery, PO Box 250 · Punnichy, SK · S0A 3C0.

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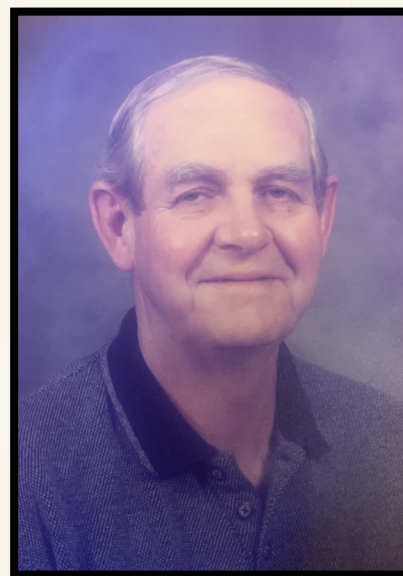
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