

GARNET LESLIE MURRAY

March 31, 1947 - May 4, 2023

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, 2023
Tompkins Funeral Home
Wadena, Saskatchewan

Officiant
Cindy Werner

Guestbook Attendants
Carol Hart & Lynn Lazar

Eulogists
Granddaughters
Rayshelle Nisbet, Chloe Murray
Mackenzie Murray & Kailyn Murray

Video Tribute

Urn Bearer
Riley Murray- Grandson

Honorary Pallbearers
All those who shared in Garnet's Life

Interment
Wadena Cemetery
Wadena, Saskatchewan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friends and family are invited to attend a time of fellowship and refreshments at the St. Mary's R.C Church Basement following the burial.

Garnet Leslie was born March 31st, 1947 to David and Mabel Murray. He is the 6th of 7 children. Garnet started his schooling at Willow Glen, then moved to Wadena School in 1956 after the passing of his father. He and his 3 sisters, along with his mother spent the winters of 1956 & 1957 living in Wadena with Mabel's sister, Gladys. In 1958 Garnet and his family moved back to the farm when he then returned to Willow Glen School.

After Garnet left school he worked for awhile at Campbell Motors in Wadena. Following this he spent several years in Saskatoon working in construction and roofing. He then moved to Alberta where he was employed by a seismic crew and roofing firm.

In 1970, Garnet purchased the Highland View Farm, 3 ½ miles north of Rosebud Hall, where he spent his summer months farming and the winter months working at the nickel mine in Thompson, Manitoba and at the Allan Potash Mine.

In October 1974 Garnet married Judy Fleischhacker of Pilger, Sk. They welcomed their first son, Dean David Leslie, in March of 1975 and their second son, Trent Andrew Leslie, in April 1976. returned to Highland View Farm during the summer until 1986 when Garnet and Judy purchased the quarter he grew up on, from his mother. In 1987, Garnet and the boys purchased cattle, adding to the existing grain farm.

Garnet and Judy lived on the Murray family farm until 1995, when the boys moved onto the home quarter to carry on farming for the third generation and to raise their families. Garnet and Judy purchased a home in Wadena and he continued to farm full time until his retirement in 2009.

Even though retired, Garnet could always be found at the farm helping out the boys, whenever needed.

During their retirement, Garnet and Judy enjoyed every summer at the lake fishing and socializing, Sunday drives to the farm, coffee row, summer music festivals, a trip to Mexico in 2013, and frequent visits with friends and family.

In the early spring of 2023, Garnet became ill and spent the next two months surrounded by numerous family and friends until his passing on May 4th, 2023.

Garnet will be remembered by his wife, Judy, of 48 years, his sons, Dean (Tammy), and Trent (Kristie), his grandchildren, Rayshelle (Riley) Nisbet of Wiseton, Chloe, Mackenzie, Riley, Kailyn and his great granddaughter, Tess; sisters Marlene Kreller of Saskatoon, and Linda (Daryl) Nedjelski of Watrous; in-laws, Colette (Julie) Rheamue of St. Brieux, Ruth Sarauer of Humboldt, Harvey (Cheryll) Fleischhacker of Pilger as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Garnet is predeceased by his parents, David and Mabel, stepfather Jim Rennie; siblings, Floyd, Islay Lensen, Jaime, Bernice Dogniez; father and mother in-law, Emil and Ang Fleischhacker; brothers in-law, Frank Lensen, Al Dogniez, Ken Kreller, Willard Sarauer and sister in-law, Dolores Murray.

Garnet will be greatly missed by all those who shared a coffee or drink and a laugh with him.

A Farmer's Creed

I believe a man's greatest possession is his dignity and that no calling bestows this more abundantly than farming.

I believe hard work and honest sweat are the building blocks of a person's character.

I believe that farming, despite its hardships and disappointments, is the most honest and honourable way a man can spend his days on this earth.

I believe farming nurtures the close family ties that make life rich in ways money can't buy.

I believe my children are learning values that will last a lifetime and can be learned in no other way.

I believe farming provides education for life and that no other occupation teaches so much about birth, growth and maturity in such a variety of ways.

I believe many of the best things in life are indeed free; the splendour of a sunrise, the rapture of wide-open spaces, the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring.

I believe true happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field, your children growing tall in the sun, your whole family feeling the pride that springs from their shared experience.

I believe that by my toil I am giving more to the world than I am taking from it, an honour that does not come to all men.

I believe my life will be measured ultimately by what I have done for my fellow man, and by this standard I fear no judgment.

I believe when a man grows old and sums up his days, he should be able to stand tall and feel pride in the life he's lived.

I believe in farming because it makes all this possible.



Acknowledgement

Our family thanks you all for your love & kindness during this sad time. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated and will always be remembered ♥



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

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