

**Anthony J. Koob January 25, 1923 - November 7, 2014**

Peacefully on Friday, November 7, 2014 at Quill Plains Centennial Lodge in Watson, SK in his 92nd year, Tony, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend laid down to rest one last time. Tony was born January 25, 1923 and was raised by his parents, Dominic and Anna Koob, on the family homestead farm in the Meacham district. He attended Lucasville School followed by high school at St. Peter's College in Muenster, SK. Tony then received his Diploma of Vocational Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK.

On April 22, 1952 Tony married the love of his life, Mary Hofmann, daughter of Joseph and Anne (Loehr) Hofmann. After 36 years of farming, custom grain cleaning and together raising a family in the Meacham district Tony and Mary retired in Humboldt. Tony continued volunteering many joyous hours to the restoration of antiques at the Western Development Museum in Saskatoon and helping out at threshing shows in Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba.

Together Tony and Mary travelled to visit their children who were by this time settled in far-off places, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Alberta and Germany. Attending auctions was a favourite spring and fall pastime for Tony but his lifelong passion was collecting and restoring antique tractors and cars. In his early retirement years Tony took great pride in professionally restoring his 1929 Essex car. Never idle, Tony at the age of 86, started the restoration of his beloved 1928 Studebaker car and worked on it well into the last month of his life.

Tony is the cherished father of: Ron (Carol) Koob of Kingston, ON, Jeanette (Rick) Wagner of Elgin, ON, Pat (Fred) Kessler of Water Valley, AB and Ken (Brenda) Koob of Cochrane, AB. Loving grandfather of James (Chi) Kessler, Meagan Kessler, Jeffrey (Megan) Koob, Victoria Wagner, Katie Koob and Claire Koob. Treasured great-grandfather of Erik Kessler.

Tony will be remembered by his brothers and sisters Clement Koob, Louise Stang, Louis Koob, Francis (Rose) Koob, Cecelia (Mike) McGrath and his sisters and brothers-in-law Daniel Loehr, Julie Matioli, Rose Boltz, Raymond (Millie) Hofmann, Dorothy Hofmann, Jerome (Rita) Hofmann and by cousins, nieces, nephews and long-time friends.

Waiting for Tony in heaven with open arms are his beloved wife Mary; his parents Dominic and Anna; his brothers and sisters Leona Boyle, Stella Loehr and Daniel Koob; his parents-in-law Joseph, Anne (Loehr) and Mary (Zimmerman) Hofmann and his brothers and sisters-in-law Ray Boyle, Clara Koob, Mearl Koob, Helen Koob, Jack Stang, Caroline and Bernard Knittig; George and Margaret Hofmann; Joe and Margaret Hofmann and Tino Matioli and Dan Boltz.

A very special thank-you to the Humboldt Home Care staff for the many years of loving care you gave our Dad so that he could remain living independently in his beloved little house for all of those bonus years. You were part of his closest family, his lifeline and he missed you dearly. A sincere thank you to the nurses and staff at Watson Quill Plains Centennial Lodge for the gentle and patient care that you gave our Dad during his short stay. And thank you Dr. O for all the years of compassionate medical care you gave our Dad.

A Funeral Mass celebrating Tony's life will take place at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Muenster, SK at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 16, 2014, celebrated by Fr. Daniel Muyres OSB. Interment to follow at St. Peter's Cemetery. Memorial donations in Tony's memory may be directed to St. Peter's Cathedral Cemetery Fund (Muenster) or St. Anthony's Cemetery Fund (Meacham). Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to MALINOSKI & DANYLUIK FUNERAL HOME, Humboldt (306-682-1622)