

LINKLATER, Allan Chester

Allan (Al) was born in the Milden, SK hospital on October 29, 1928 and passed away peacefully on June 26, 2019 with his family by his side.

Al was predeceased by his beloved wife of 60 years, Agnes; his parents Jack and Edna Linklater; brother Ron Linklater; his mother and father-in-law Mel and Blanche Greenaway; his brother-in-law Rich Greenaway and sister-in-law Sylvia Greenaway. He will be lovingly remembered by his daughter Brenda (Eric) Ediger and their family Erin (Derek) Sawatzky, Raena, Abigail and Madeline, Ryan (Tara) Ediger, Mikayla and Isaac; his daughter Barb (Chris) Calvert and their family Jason (Caitlin) Calvert, and Lisa (Andrew) Gerla and Jacob; his son Dave (Cheryl) Linklater and their family Matthew and Danielle; his daughter Alana (Richard) Pettifer and their family James (Samantha) Pettifer, Charles (Hong-Anh) Pettifer and Rebecca; his son John (Karmen) Linklater and their family Mitchell and Ava. Also left to mourn is sister-in-law Lois Linklater and her family as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Al was raised on a family farm approximately six miles north east of Sovereign. (NW ¼-17-30-12-W3). He started his education in Franklin School, a one room country school house. Grade seven to 12 were spent in the Sovereign school. Responsible at a young age, he also drove the horse drawn school bus. The fall of 1948 he enrolled in the college of Agriculture at U of S, graduating in the spring of 1950. The homestead farmhouse was built to last, and in 1989 Al and Agnes had it moved to Hitchcock Bay on Lake Diefenbaker, and turned it into a cottage that they enjoyed for many years.

Al and Agnes were married on a warm summer day, August 4, 1951. Moving to Rosetown, they raised 5 children and became involved in numerous community groups and organizations. Al was a loyal member of the Oddfellows for many years holding several offices, was involved with minor athletic organizations, and served on the boards of the Rosetown Housing Authority, Credit Union and United Church.

He started his career with the Saskatchewan Department of Highways in Rosetown in 1950, working his way up to become District Maintenance Supervisor for the last several years until retiring in 1984. He developed many close friendships in that time; relationships that were treasured always. His strong work ethic lead him to take on part-time work as a crop insurance adjuster for a few years and to continue to drive combines and trucks for his brother, Ron, and son-in-law, Chris, for many years late into his eighties.

In their retirement years Al and Agnes enjoyed many trips together, especially after their move into the friendly condo community of Millennium Manor. His activities and hobbies such as fishing, bowling, wood working and cultivating friendships continued with his move to Preston Park II in Saskatoon in April 2018.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, July 4, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Funeral Home, 210 Wess Road, Saskatoon. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made directly to Rosetown United Church (Local Fund) or McClure United Church, Saskatoon, SK.