

MINER, William Manning July 18, 1928 - March 8, 2018

It is with deep sorrow that we announce Bill's passing at home after a short illness. He is survived by his wife of 62 years Hazel. Cherished father of Debbi (Greg), Max (Carol), Diana (Claude), and Michael (Sylvie). Loving grandfather of Geoffrey, Wesley, Kevin, Tara and Max. He is survived by his brother David and his sister Eileen. Predeceased by siblings Grace, Marion, Joyce, Bernice, Kathleen, Chester and his parents Herman and Ester Miner.

Bill was born in Hafford, Saskatchewan and was raised in the farming community of Speers. Proud graduate of the University of Saskatchewan with a Master's Degree in Agriculture Economics. Bill never forgot his farming roots despite a diverse career in the Canadian Foreign Service and the Federal Government. After postings in Hong Kong, Mexico City and London, England, Bill and Hazel settled in Ottawa to raise their family. Bill went on to become an Assistant Deputy Minister involved in numerous high profile trade negotiations on Canada's behalf. After thirty plus years with the Federal Government, he retired and started an International Trade Consulting business.

Bill loved to debate, negotiate and discuss current affairs with any willing victim. Master song and poem writer, his wit and humour will be missed by many. At Bill's request a private family service will take place. A celebration of Bill's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Ottawa Heart Institute. Online condolences can be made at www.colefuneralservices.com