## Charles Manley Peifer '53 C

**PEIFER, Charles Manley** - Lifelong resident of Nipawin, son of Delma and Manley Peifer passed away on January 11th, 2016 at Pineview Lodge Nursing Home. After a slow decline over the last year, Charles died peacefully surrounded by his loving family. Charles was a loving husband and involved father, grandfather and great-grandfather who delighted in spending time with his family and friends and sharing in their activities.

Born on August 10, 1928, Charles grew up the middle child of three on the family farm east of Nipawin. Charles attended his early years of school in Nipawin and then his parents made the decision to send Charles to Upper Canada College in Toronto for his high school. He went on to attend the University of Saskatchewan earning a Bachelor Degree in Agriculture.

During his frequent visits back home to Nipawin, he met and fell in love with Jeanette Love of Steep Creek, Saskatchewan who was a Registered Nurse at the Nipawin Hospital. They married in 1952 and moved to the farm in 1953 where Charles started farming with his father. Charles was devoted to making Nipawin a great town to live in and raise a family. He was an active member of the Nipawin United Church, Kinsmen and later the K-40's as well as the Elks and Lions Clubs of Nipawin. Charles served as President of the Saskatchewan Dairy Association for several years and was a founding member of the Carrot River Milk Association.

Charles' true passion was making new friends and he always enjoyed playing a game of bridge, kaiser or poker. He loved having big meals with family and playing games afterwards as well as watching a good John Wayne or Clint Eastwood western on the television. Charles enjoyed family time at the cabin that he built with his father at Fishing Lake and many fond memories were made while swimming, boating and fishing. In later years as Denton and Sheldon managed the farm, Charles and Jeanette spent their winters in Arizona. Charles enjoyed golfing, swimming, visiting with friends and playing cards with all the other snowbirds.

For 55 years, Charles and Jeanette treasured the beautiful surroundings of their farm. In 2008 they 'retired' from the farm and moved to Harmony Ridge Condominium in Nipawin. Charles continued to be involved in the farm, whether driving a grain truck or running for parts. Charles and Jeanette continued to winter in Arizona up until March 2015 when Charles' health started to fail. He was hospitalized in June and later moved to Pineview Lodge Nursing Home in Nipawin. While Charles' time at the nursing home was brief, he made many friends there and enjoyed playing cribbage, cards and visiting with residents and friends.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather and became friends with most everyone he met. Charles is survived by his wife Jeanette of 63 years, and his children; son Denton (Gwen) Peifer of Nipawin, daughter Valerie (Kevon) Long of Nipawin, son Sheldon (Deborah) Peifer of Nipawin, daughter Glenda Peifer (Ray Laudano) of Libertyville, Illinois and daughter Jocelyn Peifer Ross (Bill Ross) of La Salle, Manitoba and proud grandfather to Kelly (Laurie) Peifer, Michael (Jennifer) Peifer, Tyler Long, Jarett (Katrina) Long, Daemon Long, Greg (Carey) Peifer, Colby Peifer, Mackenzie Laudano, Cassidy Laudano, step-grandchildren Adam and Liam Ross and his many great-grandchildren. He is also

survived by his younger sister and brother-in-law Iris and Ken Mills, Edmonton, Alberta, and sisters-in-law Grace Love, Prince Albert and Mary Love, Saskatoon and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by infant son Terrance, his parents Delma and Manley Peifer, his sister and brother-in-law Jean and Joe Tomney, mother and father in-law Edith and Ephriam Love, brothers-in-law Glen and Keith Love, and sister-in-law Norah Love.

Charles will be remembered for his humor, giving nature and being a friend to many. All who knew him should smile as they know that his life was a life well-lived in every sense. A Memorial Service will be held at 2 pm on February 13th at Nipawin United Church. Info - **COVENTRY FUNERAL SERVICES**, **Nipawin, Sask 306-862-4233 coventry@sasktel.net.** In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Pineview Lodge Nursing Home, Nipawin, Sask.13025083