

## **Gord Classen Mar 16, 1945 – Feb 14, 2020**

It is with great sadness that the family of Gordon Robert Classen announces his passing on February 14th, 2020. Gordon succumbed to his injuries from a tragic car accident that occurred on January 23rd, 2020 at the age of 74 years old.

Gord was born in Nipawin, Saskatchewan on March 16th, 1945 to Herman and Margaret Classen. Gord grew up on the Classen family farm near Aylsham, SK along with his three brothers. He graduated from the Nipawin High School and then attended the University of Saskatchewan studying Vocational Agriculture. Gord later went on to receive his Journeyman's Carpentry Certificate.

Gord married Marjorie Enns on November 4th, 1972. They resided on the same family farm that Gord grew up on, where they raised their three children Bryce, Greg and Lori.

Gord farmed from 1972 until 2007 until they ultimately sold the family farm in the summer of 2018. He loved every aspect of farm life, especially his horses and the garden, all while taking great pride in his yard.

Gord had a quiet demeanor and found satisfaction in helping others, especially when being able to utilize his skills in carpentry. He enjoyed travelling and staying fit. His hobbies included curling, kayaking, golf, horseback riding, most recently pickle ball, and spending time in his shop working on projects. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family, especially watching his grandchildren grow.

Married for 47 years, Marj was Gord's life. They were looking forward to their retirement together in Saskatoon where they were recently residing.

Gord will be remembered by his sons Bryce (Lise) and Greg (Susan), daughter Lori, grandchildren Ethan and Hunter, brothers Menno (Ethel), Arnold (Geraldine) and Henry (Lynn).

Gord was predeceased by his loving wife Marj Classen, father Herman Classen, mother Margaret Classen, father-in-law John Enns, brother-in-law David Hoffman, niece Lindsay Enns and nephew-in-law Jeffrey Dennis Sylvester.