



**RAYMOND (RAY)
BENOIT**

At Caraquet hospital, Friday, November 5th, died Raymond (Ray) Benoit at age 75. Son of late Francis and Philomène Benoit, he was spouse of Lucie Chenard. Resident of Hay River (NWT) for many years, he loved spending time in St. Paul de Grand Anse (NB) where he bought a secondary home to rejoin with his Acadian family and friends.

Besides his spouse Lucie, he is survived by his sons: Raymond Jr. , Mark (Treena, Hanna and Creston), and two other sons from a former union: Toby (Roksana) and Robert. He will also be greatly missed by his brothers and sisters: Matilda, Marie Jeanne (late Bill), Jean Paul, Lucie, Rita (Rosaire), Gilles, Alban (Gilberte) and Claude (Diane) and numerous friends and extended family.

Besides his parents, he is predeceased by five brothers and sisters: Edith, Étienne, Jean Paul Jr., Cecile and Pit (Jean Marie).

After fifteen years of fighting a chronic leukemia, he finally lost this dreadful battle. All along this hard-fought journey, he was an example of courage and determination. His irresistible sense of humour and eternal joy for life will be greatly missed.

A heartfelt family man, he was a well respected businessman and founder of « Eagle 88 Enterprises Ltd » which grew, through the years, into a successful family business in Hay River (NWT).

There will be no visit to the funeral home or funerals. His ashes will be returning home in Hay River at a later date.

In his loving memory, donations can be sent to the oncology center at Caraquet Hospital or Georges Dumont Hospital in Moncton where he was very well taken care of. Special thanks to health care workers from Hay River, Yellowknife and Edmonton who contributed dearly to his well-being along the way.