It is with great sorrow, the Cochrane family announces the passing of their father, **GEORGE STANLEY COCHRANE**. Stan passed away peacefully at his home in Grand Forks, BC, with his family by his side on March 28, 2006 after a long and courageous battle with cancer and heart disease.

Stan was born in Fort Colounge, QC on February 18, 1926 to the late Thomas and Caroline Cochrane. After suffering the loss of his parents at a very young age, Stan worked various jobs in both the steel and lumber industries until enlisting to serve his country in October of 1944. After completion of his military duties Stan began to work in the industry that would become his passion, diamond drilling. He became very well known in the mining/drilling industry having worked all across Canada. In May 1954 he married Shirley Rankin and together began their family. In 1963 Stan moved his family to Yellowknife while working as a field manager for Boyles Bros./Inspiration Drilling. From 1968 to 1982 Stan owned and operated Titan Drilling Ltd. until his retirement in 1982. In 1991 Stan and Shirley retired to Grand Forks, BC or God's Country as he put it.

Stan will be forever remembered by his wife of 52 years Shirley and children Margaret (Mickey) Beauchamp of Grand Forks, BC, Gladys (Mark) Beland of Stony Plain, AB, Debra (Tom) Pateliotes of Vernon, BC, Caroline (Barry) Ryan of Salmon Arm, BC, Stan (Karen) Cochrane of Yellowknife, NT, Roberta (John) Rocher of Yellowknife, NT, Jean (Rob) Duffey, Trail, BC, Robert Cochrane and his partner Kristine Walker of Yellowknife, NT and Michael Cochrane-Brunelle also of Grand Forks, BC. Stan is also survived by his brother Robert "Bud" (Vi) Cochrane of Essex, ON, twenty-one grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Stan was pre-deceased by his parents Thomas and Caroline, sisters Hazel, Lilian, Edna, and Roxy and granddaughter Becky Jean Beauchamp.

Cremation has taken place and at our father's request there will be no service. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society of the Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation.

"You have never lost your father though you've said your last good-byes though there's heartache in the parting no one's father ever dies"

TALLY HO...AND AWAY WENT THE FOX!