Russell was born in Yellowknife, NT, to Peggy and Lawrence Digness. He lived most of his life in Yellowknife and was an avid outdoorsman, spending much of his life camping, hunting, and exploring the North, especially Ross Lake.

Russell was predeceased by his granddaughter Maggie (Margaret) Breen, his parents, his brother Keith, and his sister-in-law MaryAnne Digness. Russell leaves behind his children Mallory Breen (Torben), Samantha Digness (Riley Saunders), and Robert Digness; his grandchildren Chloe, Elena and Holly Breen, Brylen Townend, and Khloe and Cassidy-Marlene Saunders; as well as many siblings, nieces, nephews, and friends.



Russell Wayne Digness April 25, 1963 - April 9, 2017

The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses at Stanton Territorial Hospital. A special thank you goes out to Betty, Bonnie, and Michelle on the Medicine Unit and Margaret-Ann, Diane, and Jen on ECU.

As per Russell's wishes there will be a celebration of his life in the winter at his Cabin. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Stollery Children's Hospital or CHEO in Russell and Maggie's names.

Death may have taken you away from me but my life's hero you will always be.

I love you Dad.

~ author unknown