



# Alec Goodzeck

July 14, 1940 - May 6, 2018



Alec was predeceased by his parents Mary and Metro and his youngest brother Bill. He leaves in mourning his wife Lil of 50 years, son JD, daughters Joy (Steve) and Judy, granddaughter Annika, and siblings Peter (Judy), Helen, and George (Golda).

Born on the family farm in Deadwood, Alberta, Alec's youth was spent enjoying shinny and softball. His sister Helen recalls baseball was a consuming passion during his teenage and college years. Alec is a Peace River Bible Institute graduate and attended Fairview College. In 1964, Alec and his brother George came north with a pioneering spirit and started Goodzeck Construction. He worked in civil construction for the remainder of his career. He met his bride at the Hay River Pentecostal church and was married in 1968.

Alec shared his love of sport with his children and supported their pursuits. He was active in

the Hay River Ski Club and was passionate about recruiting and outfitting new skiers to the sport. Alec coached the Edmonton Oilers Hockey Club for their entire franchise history, from his recliner. Alec loved being outside and in recent years, he spent full days putting around in his vegetable garden and tending to his flower pots.

He enjoyed routines – he was an ardent believer in the benefits of a cat nap after supper, regarded Sunday afternoon naps an essential for good health and found joy in his nightly bowl of vanilla ice cream.

Alec and Lil enjoyed involvement with the Hay River Ministerial community and was an organizer of the Baptist church Mother's Day breakfast for over 30 years. Bible study and men's prayer breakfast were life-long sources of encouragement.

He was honoured with a lifetime service

award from the Conservative Party of Canada, which he proudly framed and hung by his desk. Special local friends with whom he shared his love of conversation, politics and history include: Andrew Cassidy, Badgie Courtoreille, Bruce Green, Brian Kovatch, Doug King, Ken Lee, John Pollard, Jack Rowe, Glenn Seaton, Ron Shaw, Alec Sunrise and The Whispering Willows Coffee Group.

Alec will be laid to rest at the Glory Hills cemetery in Stony Plain, AB. The family is grateful for the doctors and nurses at the Hay River Hospital, the Catholic Women's League, Pastor Mario Giraldi, Sister Maggie, Father Black, Father Innocent, Rev. Delaplain, Roger Blake, Ron & Grace Mitts, Minnie & Moses – Marjorie, Scott & Patrick, Super A Foods, Jane Haywood, our many guests from out-of-town and for the prayers and support from friends and family.