Walter Harry

On January 3rd, 2011 Walter Harry passed away at Stanton Territorial Hospital with his family by his side. He is predeceased by his grandparents Joe and Bella Greenland, his mother, Charlotte (Greenland) Harry, his father Colin Harry, brother Glen, sister Florence, nephews Kyle and Steven, aunties Ruth Furlong (Art), Dorothy Martin (Thomas Mitchell), Rowena Greenland (Alfred Bernard), Annie (Fred John Jerome) and Joanne Greenland.



Walter spent many of his early years with his grandparents Joe and Bella Greenland, known by everyone as GiGii and JiJuu. Walter contacted polio at an early age and this was one of the reasons GiGii and Jijuu took special interest in him. Along with his cousins, Charlie, George, Henry and David and sister Florence all were fortunate to learn and even speak the Gwich'in language spoken only by Jijuu. Walter spent a lot of time up the Pokiak River with his grandparents and later with his mom and dad for spring hunt. Walter use to laugh a lot at the stories told by his uncle Alfred Bernard and always related to those stories up until his death. Walter enjoyed the outdoor life despite his handicap and spent many of his younger days on the family trapline. He is now at peace with the family he loved and is now within the comfort of the Lord.

He is survived by his wife Shirley Ann Cook, stepson Christopher Cook, mother-in-law Annie Cook and brother-in-law Barry Cook, his sisters Betty Low (Adolphus), Annie Harry (Stan) and Marilyn O'Connor (Grant), his brothers Kenny, Frank and Jimmy, his unde Freddy (Bella) Greenland and his nieces Tanya, Naudia, Lana, Holly and nephew Gary Lewis and great niece Isabelle Charlotte Rita O'Connor.

He recently welcomed his granddaughter Tyra Leigh Jersey Cook.

The funeral service will be at Holy Trinity Anglican Church at 2:00 pm, Friday, January 7, 2010 with interment to follow at Lakeview Cemetery.

Donations can be made to the NWT Cancer Society.

Funeral arrangement by McKenna Funeral Home, Yellowknife, NT. www.mckennafuneral.com