



# In loving memory of *Aurel Lemay*

May 17, 1920 - July 8, 2015

ON JULY 8, 2015, Aurel Lemay, loving husband, confidant, and life partner of Annette Lemay passed away peacefully at the age of 95.

An early pioneer of Yellowknife's gold mining legacy, Aurel Lemay at the age of 20 travelled to Yellowknife in 1940 to join his father and begin a long and successful mining career.

Initially employed at the old Negus Mine as a labourer, Aurel advanced quickly as he proved himself to be a valuable and indispensable employee within the company.

His dedication and stellar work ethic soon saw him progress to become the mine's essential 'Boiler Maintainer' (burning four cords of wood per 12 hour shift) to 'Machine Doctor' where he serviced and repaired underground mining equipment until the mine's closure in 1952. Aurel then transferred to Cominco (Con Mine) as hoistman and premier 'Hoist Trainer' until his retirement in 1983.

Annette Lemay would like to offer her heartfelt thank you to Dr. Ewan "He's one good cook" Afflek, Dr. Anna Reid, all of the staff at YKHSS Home Care, and staff at Stanton Palliative Care Unit.

A memorial service will be held at the Baker Community Centre in Yellowknife on Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at 2:00 PM.