



Richard Marion

June 3, 1944 ~ September 17, 2012

In the early morning on Monday, September 17, 2012, Richard passed away peacefully in the Stanton Territorial Hospital in Yellowknife after succumbing to esophageal cancer at the age of 68 surrounded by members of his close family. He was pre-deceased by his father Philippe in 2006; mother Renée in 2011 and brother Guay in 1962. Left to cherish Richard's memory are: brothers, Daniel (Lena) of Behchoko, NT; Gilles (Rita) of Gentilly, QC; Hervé (Germaine) of St. Malo, MB; Roland (Olga) of Winnipeg, MB; Conrad (Carole) of Montreal, QC; Gabriel (Geraldine) of Newmarket, ON; as well as sisters, Dianne of Winnipeg, MB; Marcelle of Montréal, QC; and Lise of Winnipeg, MB.

Richard was born into a small community that nurtured his sense of independence and natural curiosity. After certifying as an electrician, Richard worked for a number of years on numerous construction projects. Wanting to broaden his experiences, Richard pursued further studies so that he could qualify working on trade projects throughout Canada. This decision opened the door to a life of discovery, travel and adventure. During his off-time, he travelled extensively. It was when he was visiting his brother Daniel in Rae-Edzo in 1987 that he decided to settle in Yellowknife, NT. He accepted a post as Electrical and Chief Elevator Inspector for Public Works with the Government of the Northwest Territories. In this capacity, Richard was diligent and conscientious, always placing safety first.

In his adopted community and throughout his life, his strong faith led him to support many charities, sharing, as well his faith with the Tlicho people. His caring and compassion were well known to those who knew Richard. He was a generous friend, a caring uncle and a loving and loyal brother.

A funeral and mass will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at 2 p.m. at the Roman Catholic Church, St. Malo Parish, in St. Malo, Manitoba.

Richard's family wish to thank all those who visited, prayed and shared their time with him during his illness. In particular, a special thanks to the Tlicho community, the Elders and Chief, his co-workers and especially the staff at the Stanton Hospital in Yellowknife, along with his caregivers at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton.

A Celebration of Life will be held at St. Michael's Parish Church in Behchoko, NT on Monday, October 1, 2012 at 5 p.m.

