## Fack Alfred Meckling

December 2nd, 1933 – April 24th, 2016



It is with great sadness that the family of Jack Alfred Meckling announces his passing on April 24th, 2016, at the age of 82 in Red Deer, Alberta.

Jack was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, but grew up on a farm in Husavik, Manitoba. He was the oldest of 2 boys born to Olga and Rudolph Meckling.

Jack left the farm in the 1950's after high school chasing his dream of exploring Canada and joining the Hudson Bay Company. Jack received a posting to run the facility at Moose Factory, Ontario, at the basin of Hudson Bay. He loved the wilderness and the people he worked and interacted with. It was while working with the HBC that he met and married his wife Christine in Montreal, Quebec. After a brief courtship, they married on January 15th, 1960, and began a long life together. Jack is survived by his wife Christine in Red Deer. He is pre-deceased by his mother and father, and his younger brother Robert.

Jack and Christine had 2 children, Robert (Anna) and Michele, with four grandchildren, Marika and Taylor (Michele) and Bree and Abby (Robert and Anna). Jack and Christine had a long life together moving from east to west working in many towns and cities working in retail. They eventually answered the call of the Northwest Territories when in 1973 Jack bought McLeod's store from the Bromley family. Jack and Christine lived in Yellowknife until his health forced them to move south in 2014. They loved the north, specifically Yellowknife and all the people there they knew and met.

Jack will be brought back home in June to rest in Lakeview Cemetery where he can peacefully watch over the land and the beautiful creatures he loved so dearly each day.

He will be missed and in our hearts forever.