M.S. (Munsamy Shunnumugam) Naidoo

M.S. (Munsamy Shunnumugam) Naidoo born June 22, 1937, passed away surrounded by family on January 10, 2014, in his community of Yellowknife.

M.S. met his wife, Kay, in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, in 1959 and celebrated 50 years of marriage in December 2013. They immigrated to Alberta, Canada, in 1970 with two suitcases, \$30, and the dream of children and a better life.

In 1973 he ventured to Canada's Arctic with Kay to continue his adventure as an educator. He spent the next 40 years travelling across the North working with students, school administrators, governments, and Aboriginal educators. As a pioneer of northern education, he believed in being educated in your community and supported by your families.

Throughout this time he and Kay welcomed newcomers to Yellowknife with hospitality, an open ear, and lots of love. M.S. was a shoulder to cry on, a soul who cared about your success, and a man who would push you to become the best of who you could be.

His legacy continues through his children (Mahendra and Preena, Nalini and Stephen) and his grandchildren (Sithara, Arjun, Ela, Tejas, Tarun, and Ruan), nephews and nieces, and the many people he "adopted" on his journeys.

He was a father to us all. "A person is a person because of another person," M.S. Naidoo

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting a donation be made to the

M.S. Naidoo Memorial Education Trust Fund to help Northern students realize their dream of furthering their education. Donations may be made at any CIBC branch or directly to Nalini Naidoo at 5110-54 Street, Yellowknife, NT X1A 1W7.