

# Raymond Leroy Bye

June 2, 1927 - March 22, 2017



On Wednesday, March 22, 2017, Mr. Raymond Leroy Bye of Fort Smith, NT, passed away peacefully at the age of 89 years old, with his loved ones at his side.

Raymond was the first born to Ruth Overlund Bye and Alfred Bye. He was born on June 2, 1927, in Silverton, Oregon. He spent his childhood years growing up in Milk River, Edmonton, and Dixonville Alberta, and Salem, Oregon. As a young man he lived in Sacramento and San Diego, California, and in Castelgar and Williams Lake, BC. In his later years, Raymond lived in Fernie, BC, Watson Lake, Yukon, Fort Resolution, Cambridge Bay, Norman Wells, Fort Simpson and Fort Smith, NT. Raymond was actively involved in his community. He enjoyed playing cribbage and curling as a younger man, was a member of both the Lion's Club and the Royal Canadian Legion, and served as Justice of the Peace for many years. Raymond retired in Fort Smith in 1989 and spent his retirement years doing renovation projects, gardening, and enjoying as much time as possible at his cabin, and loving his grandkids immensely!

Raymond will be lovingly remembered and tremendously missed by his daughter Cynthia Bye, her husband Josh Plowman, and grandson Chad Bye of Fort Smith, NT; his son Timothy Bye, grandchildren Andrea Clarke (Spencer), Aaron Bye and great-grandchild Olive Clarke; son Douglas Bye, grandsons Bret Bye and Beau Bye of Edmonton, AB; sons Charlie Borland (Barb) and Kevin Borland of Portland, Oregon, USA; brother Robert Bye (Carolyn) of Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA; along with numerous nieces and nephews throughout Canada and the USA.

Raymond was predeceased by his loving wife of 40 years, Doris Bye, his parents Alfred and Ruth Bye, and his younger sister Evelyn "Betty" Bye Friesen.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Service was held in Fort Smith, NT, on Saturday, April 15, 2017.

Chad, Cindy, and Josh wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to Shawna Kendi-McDonald, Betty Bird, the staff at Northern Lights Special Care Home, to those who honoured our Father and made the trip to pay their respects, to those who sent messages, cards and phone calls, and the many who gave their kindness and support.