



Reginald Charles Bruce Averill

October 14, 1943 - October 6, 2018

AVERILL: My dad, Reginald Averill, was the oldest of three brothers to proud parents Mr. Arthur Isaac and Mrs. Tessie Evelyn Averill of Minnedosa, Manitoba; born on October 14, 1943. He was a true farm boy through and through. He was raised to not only respect his parents but all those who came into his life, no matter how long he knew them. Upon graduation from high school, he attended school in Winnipeg to obtain a certificate of professional electrician, which consumed much of his adult life. When he completed his schooling, he took up residence in Brandon, where he met and fell in love with his wife of 50 years, Cheryl, and together they raised five children. His whole life was dedicated not only to his job but also to his family. Anything he did, he did with his whole being and it continued throughout his whole life. My dad was always there whenever his clients needed him, regardless of when they called. He even drove all the way to my grandmother's house for two hours in a blizzard to help her get the heat back on in her house. Not only did he make this trip once, driving all the way back to Brandon for the necessary parts to fix her furnace, he then drove all the way back to finish fixing it, so that she wouldn't be cold. I have lost track of the number of people he has done this for and I am sure there are many of you out there that knew my dad and have similar stories to tell. My dad continued with this trait throughout his whole life up until his passing, even clearing snow for his neighbours last winter. My dad loved to putter in the backyard when he wasn't working; he was forever doing something, whether it was mowing the grass in summer or clearing snow in the winter. He also loved to feed the birds and see if he could identify all the different ones who visited our home. One winter, we even had deer up in the yard eating the feed he put out for the birds. It was sort of a running joke with him and I; he kept telling me that the deer would come early morning but I didn't believe him until I saw it for myself. My dad was forever giving us advice throughout our daily lives on how we should or shouldn't do something. His favourite phrase, he used all the time, saying "if you understand what I am getting at" and I am sure that he used that phrase with everyone who entered his life. He has been a lifelong fan of the Montreal Canadiens regardless of how bad their season was, and this love of hockey carried on to cheering for his grandchildren, who took up the sport. He also loved watching curling; I can't tell you how many times I would hear him screaming at them to sweep, as if they could hear him.

It didn't matter which sport was on the T.V., he would watch it. He spent hours watching the weather channel just to see what the weather was like in the rest of the world. To his family, he was larger than life and his passing on Saturday, October 6, 2018 has left a huge hole in our lives. There isn't a day that goes by that we don't wish he was still here. He will be missed by his wife of 50 years Cheryl; his children: Reg, Reicie, Tim, Ron, and Dan (Tracey) as well as seven grandchildren, who were the light of his life. He is also survived by his brothers: Stuart and Harold, who live in Ontario; as well as numerous cousins, aunts, uncles as well as all the friends he made throughout his life. He was loved by many and will be missed by those whose lives he touched. A family graveside service was held on Monday, October 15, 2018 at the Brandon Cemetery. Donations may be made to CancerCare Manitoba, 1160-675 McDermot Avenue, Winnipeg, MB, R3E 0V9 or to the Brandon Regional Health Centre Foundation, 'Murray House' 150 McTavish Avenue East, Brandon, MB, R7A 2B3, in his memory.

We love you and miss you, Dad.

Cemetery

Brandon Cemetery

1900 18th Street

Brandon, MB,

Events

OCT **Graveside Service** 10:00AM

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Brandon Cemetery

1901 18th St, Brandon, MB, CA, R7A

Comments



“ We will always remember Reg and his hard work effort, his attention to detail whether work or family. We enjoyed him very much and will miss his smile and just showing up at family gatherings. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Cheryl and your family.

Bruce and Arleigh Firby

Arleigh Firby - October 13, 2018 at 12:11 PM



“ Our condolences to all of you in the passing of Reg. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. May your memories of happier times help to comfort you. Luc and Donna (Firby) Gamache

Donna Gamache - October 10, 2018 at 03:23 PM



“ Condolences to the Averill family. Reg will be missed.

glenda brading - October 10, 2018 at 03:21 PM



“ To Reg's family ...our deepest condolences...Reg has done lots of electrical work for us years ago ...very happy man ...always saying Go Reggie Go ...very good at his job ...he came to do a job for us that has wires going coming and going not knowing what some were for ...he was standing on a wooden chair and stood there with pliers ...rubber handled pliers ...he says ...eeny meany miney mo ...boom sparks flyinghe laughs and says you screamed ...did I give you a heart attack....yes Reggie you did and don't do it again...he was a very proud man of his kids and wife ...very honest great worker...Rest In Peace RegIan and Donna McKay

Donna McKay - October 09, 2018 at 09:38 PM



“ My deepest condolences to the Averill family

Susan Moreau - October 18, 2018 at 10:53 AM



“ It was tough to see him laying in bed in so much pain. I love you all so much and grieve with you. I miss you grandpa, you played a large role in my life.

Love, Julie.

Julie Nelson - November 08, 2018 at 02:31 PM