



## August Edward Rosenau

November 7, 1926 - April 14, 2015

Rosenau, August (Gus) Edward died peacefully on April 14, 2015 at the age of 88 in Edmonton, Alberta. August was born to August and Emma Rosenau on November 7, 1926. August was raised and educated in Chinook, Alberta. There he worked on the family farm and met and married his sweetheart Shirley Colleen (Regan) Rosenau.

August was preceded in death by his wife Shirley Colleen Rosenau, brothers Walter, Harold, Ted, George, Henry and sister Helena.

Those left to honor his memory include second wife Caren, son's Leonard and wife Jennifer, Lyle and wife Sheila, Carl and wife Grace, Willie (Darlene), Rodney (Roxanne), Timothy (Beverly) and Daughter Valerie (Gordon). Also left to honor his memory twenty grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and well as many longtime friends and colleagues.

August left the family farm in 1955 to pursue a different career outside the family farm which took the family to Kitimat, BC where he worked at the Alcan Aluminum. In 1956 August decided to move the family back to Calgary. He was employed for a short time at USS Oil Well Supply. While employed there he met and eventually entered into the cartage and delivery business with his longtime friend Harry McQueen. After Harry decided that he would like to retire August and he mutually agreed that August would take over the business. From that point he changed the name to Rosenau Delivery and

some years later changed the name to the present day Rosenau Transport Ltd. August (Gus) was presented with and Lifetime Achievement Award from the Alberta Motor Transport Association for his dedication to the transportation industry in Alberta. August was well recognized and respected in the transportation industry. August was very proud to be able to participate in the company`s 50th Anniversary with his sons and daughter in 2007.

August was involved in many community activities, He served as president of the Southview Community, president of the Southview curling association as well as coaching baseball. August had the great joy of coaching two of his sons in baseball and taking them to numerous tournaments within the province.

During his working years August and first wife Collen purchased lake front property at Alberta Beach near Edmonton, Alberta and that became their summer home. Family and friends also made this their summer vacation spot. Boating, swimming, barbeques, and campfire songs were all part of August and Colleen`s summer cottage and long lasting memories for all.

Retirement came and August decided it was time to travel and so he purchased one of his three motorhomes during his lifetime. Travels took August and Colleen to all parts of the USA as well as Mexico and eventually settling in Arizona for their winters. After many years in Arizona, August and Colleen decided to go to Texas for a few winters, but eventually returning to Arizona.

August and second wife Caren has enjoyed their many years of marriage together travelling, enjoying life and sharing family and friends. Many mystery bus trips, community events, community cribbage, and many card games all seemed to add up to a perfect retirement. We were all blessed to be able to share his life and he will be sadly missed by all.

Visitation will be held from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm on Monday, April 20, 2015 at Serenity Funeral Service, 5311 – 91 Street NW, Edmonton, AB

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5104 Ellerslie Road SW, Edmonton, AB.

A private family interment will take place on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at Mountain View Cemetery, Calgary Alberta.

In lieu of flowers; donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta, 10985 124 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta T5M 0H9

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **20**. 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM (MT)

Serenity Funeral Service - Edmonton South  
5311 — 91 Street  
Edmonton, AB T6E 6E2  
(780) 450-0101  
info@serenity.ca  
<https://www.serenity.ca>

## Funeral Service

APR **21**. 2:00 PM (MT)

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
5104 Ellerslie Road  
Edmonton, AB

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ *My deepest condolences on the loss of your father and grandfather. May all your special and wonderful memories bring you much comfort in the days ahead.*  
*Laila Kay*

**laila kay** - April 25, 2015 at 04:29 PM

GC

“ *Our deepest sympathies go out to the Rosenau families on your loss, thinking of you.*  
*Love Kelly and Gail Cameron*



**Gail Cameron** - April 24, 2015 at 12:10 AM

LH

“ *To The Family of Gus Rosenau,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time as your morn the lost of a father, grandfather and great grandfather. I know that Gus is in heaven with my parents (Mary and Yvon Tremblay) sitting and listening to country and western music like they did when they would go to Craven, Sk.*

*With Deepest Sympathy*

*Lorraine and Randy Heckenlaible and family*



**Lorraine Heckenlaible** - April 21, 2015 at 02:29 PM

AB

“ *Angela And Billy lit a candle in memory of August Edward Rosenau*



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**Angela and Billy** - April 21, 2015 at 10:49 AM

SR

“ *Sheri Rosenau lit a candle in memory of August Edward Rosenau*



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**Sheri Rosenau** - April 20, 2015 at 11:46 PM

VA

“ *Just wanted to express my deepest sympathies in the loss of your Dad! My heart cries for you as I know how much he meant to you. He will always be here in your thoughts, acts and decisions you make. His love has imprinted your memories forever. For you to have had him as long as you have is encredible. You would not be who you are without them my friend!*

*Speak of him often cry, laugh and love forever.*

*Glo*

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**valerie** - April 20, 2015 at 04:33 PM

VS

“ Valerie Stevenson lit a candle in memory of August Edward Rosenau



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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:23 PM

VS

*I was blessed to have a awesome Dad. Your memories will always be talked about and remember forever as you have touch some many people in your life time. You are now in a better place. Your now with our so missed mom. Love you and will miss you*

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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:28 PM

VS

“ Hey Gus this is Russ

*Late yesterday afternoon I learned that you have embarked on a new journey and may God be with you every step of the way. You are leaving behind a person that misses you already. No longer do I hear your booming voice over the two-way radio, no longer do I see the hat that distinguished you from everyone else, no longer do I get to enjoy an afternoon chat with coffee. I did not leave much of an impression on you when we first met at the beginning of September 1975 being how I was just 21 and had hair down past my shoulders. I could tell right away you despised my hair so I flaunted it just to get you going. Unknown to me you came up with a plan to get rid of that hair. When your plan succeeded I realized not only was I dealing with a boss that demanded an honest day's work out of a person but a man that had a sense of humour that could test any-ones mettle. From that moment on there was hardly a day we did not share a laugh. I thank you Gus Rosenau for all the memories that reside within me.*

*Russ Wilson*

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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:22 PM

VS

“ Hi Carl, Len, Lyle, Willie, Val Tim and Rod

*I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father.*

*He was a giant of a man who deeply loved you all. He had a vision and during the early years worked tirelessly to achieve his dream.*

*Personally I thought of him not only as a client but as a friend. I will always treasure the gifts he brought back from Mexico and from the pottery shop in Salmon Arm.*

*They are kept together with the ceramic peanut that your mother made and which I use as my bun basket when I entertain at the lake.*

*My heart goes out to you and your families.*

*I am sure that God has a very special place in heaven for people like him. May he rest in peace and may you all take comfort in knowing that someday you will all party with him again and perhaps the Good Lord will have need for a trucking company.*

*Warmest Regards*

*Joan Majestski*

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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:20 PM

VS

“ *Just received a call from Mom, she told me Uncle Gus passed away today.*

*I stopped, and thought about how I remember Uncle Gus, his smile, his laughter, those glasses and cigars! Family dinners on Cottonwood Cres. This is what comes to mind when I think of Uncle Gus... and then I thought about you and your brothers and sister. While I may not know my second cousins very well any more, please know that my thoughts are with you and my memories are fond. Seems like only yesterday, then again yesterday was a lifetime ago. I found your email addresses on the Rosenau company website — Wow! look at how much your business has grown. It is good to see it remains to be a private Canadian company. Its a legacy indeed. How proud both Auntie Colleen and Uncle Gus were of each of you. Mom told me Uncle Gus was the last survivor in our family of his generation... How fortunate our lives have been to be touched by parents like yours. God bless, and my peace be with you.*

*Warm regards and condolences,*

*Lana Bertram*

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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:16 PM

VS

“ *Val & Family Just a quick note to send my condolences on the passing of your father. I know you were the apple of his eye. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*  
*Les Regan*

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**Valerie Stevenson** - April 20, 2015 at 04:14 PM



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of August Edward Rosenau.*



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April 19, 2015 at 05:24 PM

SY

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Gus's family. Haven't seen Gus for years but have many good memories of him & Colleen.*  
*God be with you all.*  
*Our Love*  
*Sam & Doris [Kearns-Rife] Young*

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**Sam & Doris Youg** - April 17, 2015 at 05:49 PM



“ Hey Gus this is Russ  
*I learned that you have embarked on a new journey and may God be with you every step of the way. You are leaving behind a person that misses you already. No longer do I hear your booming voice over the two-way radio, no longer do I see the hat that distinguished you from everyone else, no longer do I get to enjoy an afternoon chat with coffee. I did not leave much of an impression on you when we first met at the beginning of September 1975 being how I was just 21 and had hair down past my shoulders. I could tell right away you despised my hair so I flaunted it just to get you going. Unknown to me you came up with a plan to get rid of that hair. When your plan succeeded I realized not only was I dealing with a boss that demanded an honest day's work out of a person but a man that had a sense of humour that could test any-ones mettle. From that moment on there was hardly a day we did not share a laugh. I thank you Gus Rosenau for all the memories that reside within me.*

*Russ Wilson*

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**Russell Wilson** - April 17, 2015 at 04:34 PM

WK

“ *Plases know all our thoughts and prayers are with all the family,remembering all the family events love to you all. WendyKundert. Port Moody, B.C.*

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**wendy kundert** - April 17, 2015 at 03:18 PM

GR

“ *Grace Rosenau lit a candle in memory of August Edward Rosenau*



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**Grace Rosenau** - April 17, 2015 at 02:41 PM

LS

“ *Dad  
It has been said that the loss of a parent is one of life's most traumatic events. I know now the truth of that statement. I will miss my father and will never forget him. He was my friend and my hero.  
Rest in peace Dad  
Lyle*

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**Lyle Sr** - April 16, 2015 at 10:44 PM

HB

“ *It was a privilege to work for Gus. There was never any dull moments.*

*Harold and Lynn Boyd*



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**Harold and Lynn Boyd** - April 16, 2015 at 10:14 PM

TR

“ *My Dearest Father. You Taught us to be Strong. You Taught us to Work Hard. You Taught us to be Leaders. You Taught us to be Kind, Considerate, and Respectful.  
Today I'm A better man because of you Dad, and so Proud to be your Son.  
And Honored to Carry on your Legacy. Rest in Peace Dad..  
Love Your Son Tim.*

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**Tim Rosenau** - April 16, 2015 at 07:49 PM

KR

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Ken Rosenau** - April 16, 2015 at 05:43 PM