



Donald McLean Chisholm

November 9, 1924 - June 3, 2014

It is with deep sorrow that the family of Donald Chisholm announces his quiet passing on the morning of Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at the age of 89.

Don was born on November 9, 1924 in Medicine Hat Alberta, the second youngest of five siblings. He grew up in Kitscoty, Alberta and after high school graduation in 1942, worked as a teacher for a short period of time. Following the war, he discovered the career of his dreams as an accountant, eventually earning a CA designation. He retired in 1979 and then again in 1986!

Donald was a devoted son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and uncle. He was a generous and steadfast friend to many.

Don was an avid sports fan. Over the years he golfed, played hockey and tennis, curled, square-danced and skied. He was also very involved as an armchair coach and referee!

Don was an active volunteer, giving countless hours to the Lions Club, St. Paul's United Church and the Devonshire Village Community. Don was the family historian, connecting with Chisholm Clan members and recording family events. He was passionate about bridge, playing for many years with the bridge club and more recently playing online with people from around the world.

Don and Dodie traveled extensively to foreign lands and were frequent visitors to family and friends in Alberta and BC.

Don was predeceased by his beloved wife Dodie, whom he married on May 28, 1949. They shared 63 wonderful years.

Left to remember him are Lois (John) Sartor and their sons Jeffrey and Craig, Craig's fiancé Chelsea McCarter, Lorne Chisholm, Bruce (Wendy) Chisholm, Janet "Jan" McLean (Gord Anderson), Jan's daughters Megan Culham and Kelly (Nelson) Parkes, as well as their daughters Maya and Grace. He also leaves his sister, Doreen (Cliff) Driver, sister-in-law Ollie Chisholm, fourteen nieces and nephews and their families, as well as many wonderful friends that he touched along the way.

Don will be remembered for his never-failing outlook on life. He always considered himself lucky, and he always enjoyed life to the fullest.

A celebration of Don's life will be held at St. Paul's United Church, 11526 - 76 Avenue, Edmonton, AB on Monday, June 16, 2014 at 2:00 PM. In lieu of other tributes, donations in Don's name may be made to St. Paul's United Church or The Canadian Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall

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Robert Driver - June 15, 2014 at 03:37 AM

JR

“ *Fond memories of 'Uncle Don', especially during the many Christmases that he donned the ol' Santa suit and provided all the children with many magical memories!*

*Wherever a beautiful soul has been,
There is a trail of beautiful memories.*

*Fondest regards,
JOAN & CRAIG ROSKIN and FAMILY*

JOAN ROSKIN - June 12, 2014 at 11:16 PM

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Dianne Chisholm - June 12, 2014 at 11:07 AM

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Dianne Chisholm - June 12, 2014 at 11:05 AM

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“ *Dear Chisholm Family,*

It is never easy to say good-bye to a Father though I am sure you have many memories of this wonderful man. He made a lasting impression on me as a young girl in the neighbourhood. Whenever we visited your home, I could see and feel the love he had for your Mother and for each of you kids. Your house always felt like a home.

At this time last year, I called and asked him to write a few memories of my parents to add to a book I am compiling as a surprise for my children. His reply was swift, his words sincere. They will add to the treasure of memories for our family. (He even commented on our family cat ^-^). He truly was a gentle man.

*Thinking of you all during this tender time.
Louise Robinson*

louise - June 12, 2014 at 12:19 AM

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“ *Chisholm Family: So very sorry about your dad. My first thoughts of Don are that he was perhaps one of the gentlest souls I've ever known, that he was totally in love with Dodie and that his kids meant everything to him. I remember several times staying with your family during school breaks and both your dad and mom were so welcoming and gracious. They both had wonderful senses of humour.. My mom and dad, (Pat and Neil) thought the world of your parents and enjoyed every visit they had together. Dodie was mom's favourite cousin. My condolences to all of you. Your memories of them are your treasure.*
Love Ann Danyluk (nee McCulloch)

Ann Danyluk - June 11, 2014 at 03:04 PM