



Ron is lovingly remembered by his wife of 57 years Rita, daughter Lynn (Steve Roberts); son Rick (Shelly); daughter Barb (Brian Mullally); grandsons Chris, Kyle (Jessi Storlie), Tyler Hawes, Brendan Smart; and great grandson Xavier Hawes. Ron was predeceased by his parents William Bertam and Geneva; daughter Penny Anne and sister Marie Twerdochlib. He was born on the farm near Miniota, Manitoba and left to experience the world in his late teens. He joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1953 where the theme for his life was forged. Ron would spend the vast majority of his life from then on serving and helping other people. He served in the military as a firefighter for 27 years. In 1959 he married his wife Rita and began the family life. They had a total of 4 children, losing daughter Penny Anne at a very early age. Ron's career took him and his family across much of Canada until after retiring in 1980, he moved his family to Estevan and began yet another chapter in his life. As first the Deputy Fire Chief, then Fire Chief Ron again served the public until he retired for a second time in 1997. From then, he devoted himself to serving the residents of Sussex Arms where he and Rita lived and created the community it has become today. Ron retired for the third time just a few years ago and enjoyed the peace and quiet of retirement. Ron enjoyed fishing, reading, crossword puzzles and spinning yarns. His favourite activity of all though was by far laughing. He was always quick to laugh and loved to make those around him laugh with him. Whether through a wry joke, a tall story from his past or one of his many "Hawesisms", he loved to have the people around him in stitches from laughter. We truly do not mourn his loss, but rather celebrate the richness of his life for having been lucky enough to have him share it with us.

Thank you for everything Dad, we all love you!

## Remembering with Love Our Husband, Father, Grandfather and Friend



Ronald Hawes 1933-2017

## Ronald Kenneth Hawes

age 83 years, late of Estevan, Sask.

Born May 12, 1933 Miniota, Manitoba Passed Away March 29, 2017 Estevan, Saskatchewan

Ron's family would like to invite everyone to join them for a time of Celebration on Sunday, April 2, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Beefeater Plaza.

No tears or crying...just fun, stories and "Hawesisms". Bring your best stories with you!

In memory of Ron memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association, 1400-522 University Ave, Toronto, ON, M5G 2R5.



