



BACHEWICH,

Andy

Nov. 13, 1934 - Aug. 4, 2017

After a short battle with cancer, Andy Bachewich, at the age of 82, passed away peacefully with his family by his side, at St. Joseph Ukrainian Catholic Home in Saskatoon.

Andy will be lovingly remembered by his children Randy (Verna) Bachewich of Regina, Sask., Reva (Dwayne) Miller of Wainwright, Alta., and Charlotte (Murray) McCracken of Martensville, Sask. Andy, also leaves behind 11 grandchildren and their spouses, as well as eight great-grandchildren, along with his special friend, Jean Kitsch of Yorkton, and her children Brenda Kapinski of Yorkton, Barb (Dave) Wonder of Wynyard and Bev (Allan) Lutz of Yorkton, six grandchildren and one great-grandson. Andy also leaves four sisters-in-law Betty Amas, Kelly Kehoe, Pat Jorgenson and Helen

Bachewich, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Andy was predeceased by his parents Michael and Anne Bachewich, and 13 brothers and sisters and their spouses, as well as many nieces and nephews. Also predeceasing Andy were his wife Islay Reene (Jorgenson), son Bradley Andy Bachewich, and grandson Chad Richard Miller. Andy was the last surviving member of the Michael Bachewich family.

Andy was born on a homestead in the Birch Creek district northeast of Wishart. Andy farmed most of his life including operating a dairy farm. Andy was also employed on the CP Rail, as a hard rock (gold, copper and silver) miner, then finally as a potash miner. Andy was an adventurous man, who loved to try new things and travelled throughout Western Canada. His opportunities of employment led him from Ontario, to B.C., to the Arctic Circle with more adventures and travel. His hobbies included gold panning and salmon fishing in northern B.C. Andy loved to fish, camp, cook, read, garden, and play cards into the late hours. Andy also enjoyed sports and he played baseball, hockey and then bowling later in life. Andy was a talented musician and he taught himself first on the piano, then the guitar, fiddle, banjo, and mandolin. He was talented enough to play in a band for local dances and weddings. Andy made many long-lasting friendships, he loved to tease, laugh, and joke. Andy was in no rush to get through life and he enjoyed each and every moment of the day. Andy was a simple man, he lived a simple life, he never needed much, and he never worried. Andy enjoyed life for what it was. The only possessions he cherished was time with his family and friends. The family would like to thank all those who accepted Andy in their lives: the Saskatoon Cancer Clinic, oncology, respiratory, nurses and social workers, Yorkton Hospital doctors and staff, St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Home sisters, and nursing staff. Thank you to Tompkins Funeral Home and Father Jeffrey.

A private family celebration, by Andy's request, was held in Wadena at Tompkins Funeral Home on August 7, 2017. A Ukrainian mass was officiated by his cousin, Father J. Stephaniuk with internment at the Elfros Cemetery.