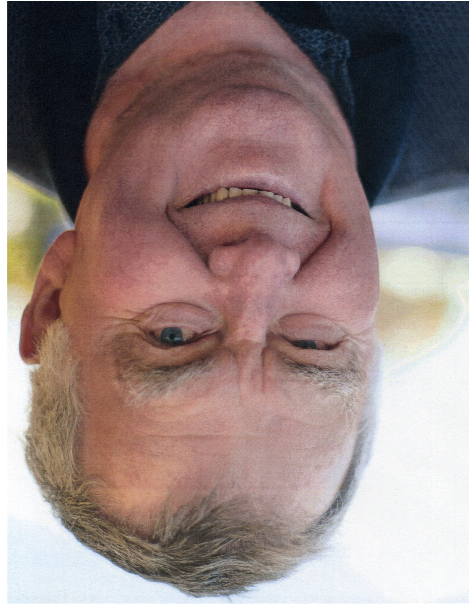


In loving memory of
IAN POTTS
1939 - 2019



A Farmer's Creed

*Man's greatest possession is his dignity; no calling bestows this more abundantly than farming.
Hard work and honest sweat are the building blocks of a person's character. Despite its hardships and disappointments, farming is the most honourable way a man can spend his days on earth.
Farming nurtures the close family ties that make life rich in ways money cannot buy. Farming provides education for life. No other occupation teaches so much about birth, growth and maturity, in such a variety of ways.
Many of the best things in life are indeed free; the splendor of a sunrise, the rapture of the wide-open spaces, and the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring. True happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field; your whole family feels the pride that springs from their shared experience.
By my toil I am giving more to the world than I am taking from it; an honour that does not come to all men.
My life will be measured ultimately by what I have done for my fellow man, and by this standard I fear no judgement.
When a man grows old and sums up his days, he should be able to stand tall and feel pride in the life he's lived.
I believe in farming because it makes all this possible.*

Author Unknown.

Fotheringham-McDougall
FUNERAL SERVICE

Ian was born in Simpson at Bartels' nursing home on 11 October 1939. He lived on the farm east of Amazon until 1946 when the family moved to Hope, BC briefly for work. The family returned to Amazon in 1947 where he grew up. He attended Amazon school until grade 9 and then went to Watrous for high school, graduating in 1958. After high school Ian worked for Mackay Construction owned by Bill and Craig Mackay, where he felt fortunate to see many parts of Saskatchewan. In 1961, Ian met Jeanne in Watrous and they were married in 1965. They lived in Saskatoon where Jeanne had their four babies and Ian worked at the Allan Potash Mine and the Grasswood Esso. In 1972, the family purchased their farm from Harold Quennell where Ian continued to farm until he passed away. Ian and Jeanne were involved with numerous activities to support their four children as well as being active community members. Ian was a founding member of the Optimist Club in Simpson and called bingo for 16 years. He served the RM of Wood Creek as councillor from 1975 to 1980 and as reeve from 1980 to 1994. In addition, Ian was instrumental in promoting and constructing Mid Sask Terminal. He took great pride in this project and was very pleased to give personal tours. Ian was a generous fun loving man. He enjoyed his crop checking tours and his visits with his family and friends. Literally and metaphorically his door was always open! His greatest pride of all however, was his children and grandchildren. It is difficult to put into words the love that was shown and the support that was given unconditionally to his loved ones. He was a role model and mentor to many of us and we feel blessed to have been a part of his life. Ian was predeceased by his wife Jeanne, and his parents Arthur and Barbara Potts. He is survived by his children and grandchildren: Lindon (Karen), Koltan & Klayton of Westlock, AB, Glendon (Paula) & Carter of Medicine Hat, AB, Cameron (Alison), Sadie, Carter, Hudson & Nash of Medicine Hat, AB, and Jacquelyn (Lonnie), Camryn & Morgan of Ponoka, AB; sister Ina (Jules) Vanthuynne, brother David (Joyce) Potts, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In loving memory of
IAN ARTHUR POTTS
aged 80

MEMORIAL TEA
Watrous Civic Centre
Watrous Saskatchewan
Saturday November 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
All who knew and loved him

REGISTER ATTENDANTS
Bev & Colleen Hunt
Robbie & Joyce Burkitt

PRIVATE FAMILY INTERMENT
Watrous Cemetery