

## GLEN LESLIE NEWS 2018

### “Leon Ingraham Has Building Named After Him”

Leon Ingraham passed away in July 2014 near Valleyview, Alberta and was buried in the Glen Leslie Cemetery.

Leon was raised on the family farm in southern Alberta near Ponoka. He and his wife Evelyn and two sons moved to Clarkson Valley in 1962 where he taught the shop class and was the principal of the Ridgevalley School. He thoroughly enjoyed teaching and loved the farm that he and Evelyn built over the years.

Shortly after the accident, Evelyn found solace by landscaping an area at the Cemetery that would later become known as the “Ingraham Meditation Area”. Many hours were spent in clearing out an overgrown area that had large spruce trees as a backdrop. Mulch unified the area and the flowers provide a welcoming colour palette. Evelyn maintains the area all summer constantly watering and weeding to ensure everyone who visits the Cemetery and Church have a place to “come, sit, remember” as evidenced on one of the seating areas.



On September 28, 2018, the “Leon Ingraham Industrial Arts Centre” opened. Evelyn and 35 friends and family members gathered at the Mamawi Atosketan Native School for the ribbon-cutting.

By means of the gift of this building, Leon’s family consisting of Evelyn, Chip & family, Curt & family, has seen to it that the Mamawi Atosketan students will have endless opportunities to develop skills through education. (rt – Chip Ingraham and Evelyn Ingraham)

