

WAYNE & CAROL NELLIS

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Wilfred Leslie Funk, 69, of Beaverlodge

Wilfred Leslie Funk, resident of Beaverlodge, Alta., passed away November 16, 1997 in the QE II

Hospital in Grande Prairie, Alta., at the age of 69 years.



Wilfred was born June 28, 1928 in Bezan-son, Alta., and married Mary Rubella Barre on June 27, 1948.

He moved to Calgary in 1952 and then lived in the Wembley area from 1960-1971.

He lived in Kelowna, B.C., from 1971-1990 and then moved back to Beaverlodge area in 1990 and resided there until his passing.

Wilfred worked as a sawyer in the logging industry.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping out with his family. He did a lot of travelling in the summer.

Wilfred leaves to mourn his passing his wife Mary; brothers and sisters Ervyn Glendon, Rosella Schneider, Alvina Janz, Albert Funk, Adeline Funk; his children, Margaret, (Bryant) Ventress, Wilfred (Heather) Funk, Lois Funk (Bill Drake), Carol Taylor (Wayne Nellis), Floyd Funk (Judy Marshall), Alice Funk (Elson Engram); his grandchildren, Teresa Creller, Danny Ventress, Feron Ventress, Carey Funk, Dawn Funk, Devon Funk, Colinda Taylor, Tanya Newman, Cody Funk and Cory Funk, as well as four great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his brothers Melvin Funk, Vern Funk and Charles Funk.

Funeral service for the late Wilfred Funk will be held on Thursday, November 20, 1997 at 2 p.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church, Beaverlodge, Alta., with Sr. Lise Veillette C.S.C. officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

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Mary Funk of Beaverlodge



Mary Funk, resident of Beaverlodge, Alta. passed away on Wednesday, May 12, 1999 in Beaverlodge Municipal Hospital at the age of 71 years.

Mary was born September 17, 1927 in Grande Prairie, Alta. and married Wilfred Funk on June 27, 1948. They moved to Calgary in 1952 and then lived in the Wembley area from 1960-1971. They lived in Kelowna, B.C. from 1971-1990 and then moved back to Beaverlodge area in 1990 and resided there until her passing. She will be missed dearly by family and friends.

Mary leaves to mourn her passing, her two sisters, Agnes Wills and Anna Pelletire (Bob) and one brother, Jack (Melba) Berre; her children: Margaret (Bryant) Ventress, Wilfred (Heather) Funk, Lois Funk (Bill Drake), Carol Taylor (Wayne Nellis), Floyd Funk (Judy Marshall), Alice Funk (Elson Engram); her grandchildren, Teresa Creller, Danny Ventress, Feron Ventress, Carey Funk, Dawn Funk, Devon Funk, Colinda Taylor, Tanya Newman, Cody Funk, and Cory Funk as well as six great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Wilfred in 1997.

Funeral service for the late Mary Funk will be held on Saturday, May 15, 1999 at 1 p.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church, Beaverlodge, Alta. with Father Mick Fleming C.Ss.R. celebrant. Cremation to follow.

Prayer vigil will take place at St. Mary's Church, Beaverlodge, on Friday, May 14, 1999 at 7:30 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association or the Alberta Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Interment of ashes will take place on Sunday, May 16, 1999 at 2 p.m. at the Rio Grande Cemetery.

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Thank You

To all the relatives and friends of Wayne and Carol Nellis who joined us in August and helped make the day so very special; To those who brought gifts, to those who contributed to the luncheon and to the lady who made the beautiful cake.

A special thank you from the Nellis family.

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Wayne Marshall Nellis



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Wayne Marshall Nellis came into this world Dec. 24, 1941, at the QEII Hospital in Grande Prairie and passed away Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2007, at the age of 65 years.

He took his schooling at Montrose and Grande Prairie high schools. In Grade 8, Wayne began a lifelong love of woodworking. Building anything from patio furniture to end tables and bookcases became his favourite thing to do.

At age 20, work was hard to find in Grande Prairie so, along with five buddies, he joined the Air Force, taking radar and communications systems courses. Wayne once commented he "didn't fly the planes, but he could keep them flying."

During his 28 years in the military, he spent time in Trenton, Ont. and Winnipeg, Man., where he met Doreen Skelly. They married and had two children – Robert Christopher and Michael Brian, both born in Winnipeg. Wayne spent time stationed in Shearwater, Nova Scotia, Edmonton, Alta.,

Greenwood, Nova Scotia and finally Cold Lake, Alta. After 28 years, he retired from the service and returned home to Grande Prairie.

In the early 1990s, he met Carol Taylor (nee Funk) and they married in 2001. They finally enjoyed a long life together, travelling to Kelowna, B.C. to visit family and playing golf, billiards and cards. When not playing, Wayne could always be found building in his workshop.

Wayne leaves to mourn: his wife, Carol; sons, Robert (Joyce) and Michael; his special granddaughter, Ashley Joan Nellis; his mother, Irene; sister, Shirley; brothers, Don (Ellen), Phillip (Kris), and Gordon (Carol); and many nieces, nephews, cousins and a wide extended family.

"Poppa-Wayne" was deeply blessed with love from Carol's family: her children, Devon, Colinda and Tanya (David); brothers, Whip (Heather) and Floyd; sisters, Margaret (Brian), Lois and Alice and many other family members.

Wayne was predeceased by: his father, Orval; grandparents, Stella and Lester John (Moose) Nellis and Kate and Haviland Bulford, and brother Stan Nellis.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 10, 2007, at 1 p.m., at Oliver's Grande Prairie Funeral Chapel.

Memorial donations maybe made to the Canadian Cancer Society or the charity of one's choice.

Condolences may be sent by visiting www.oliversgrandeprairie.com

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Wayne Nellis



We would like to thank the many friends and relatives for their support in our time of loss. The doctors and nurses for their care of Wayne, the Royal Purple ladies for the luncheon, and all who made donations to charities, the flowers and the cards. Special thanks to John Osepiuk for his help, Wilfred for the service, Gord Nellis for the eulogy, and the honorary pallbearers.

We are truly grateful.

The Nellis Family

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