



## **REMEMBERING Raymond Morin**

August 26, 1925 - May 12, 2011

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Born August 26, 1925 in Lampman, Saskatchewan, Ray passed away from complications due to a stroke on May 12th, 2011 in Duncan, BC.

He grew up on a farm 15 miles north of Estevan, Saskatchewan where he developed a love for the land and farming with his parents Emma and William Morin. He told us stories of the excitement of "train day" when as a boy all would gather once a week as the train came into town; of lighting the fire in his horse drawn sleigh to keep warm traveling to school and his least favourite farm chore of hand picking the rocks off the fields before spring planting. There were large family potluck gatherings and barn dances, tales of his horse Dolly, spending time with his niece Carole riding the combine and the day a tornado hit the farm. In the 40s and 50s he ran combining teams that travelled all the way to Texas with threshing machines, steam engines, separators, cook and bunks cars. In the 60s he drove a car carrier between Estevan and Detroit and later opened a corner store in Saskatoon to the delight of his daughter who helped out in exchange for candy. It was in these days that Sunday was a special day for frying up some chicken and taking the kids to the lake for a picnic. In 1972 he moved to Duncan, BC with Grace and Maurice where he drove a delivery van for Palm Dairies.

Ray was very involved with the Duncan Eagles and regularly put on dances at their hall featuring many of Rock and Rolls up and coming acts.

In his retirement he enjoyed many a fishing day in Cowichan Bay with his son Maurice; even if they didn't catch any fish they always enjoyed a beer and their time together. Ray now had the time to spend with his family (Grace, Maurice, Brandon and Samantha) and this brought him his greatest joy. Although he didn't own a dog himself he loved to give an ear scratch and share his lap with his grand dogs Belle, Buddy, Keisha, Candy, Taffy and throw a ball for Molson.

His other passions were watching Curling and Baseball

accompanied with a big bowl of popcorn and spending time in his second home,

Reno.

Ray is remembered and loved by daughter Grace (Simon), son Maurice (Shelley), grandchildren Brandon and Samantha and niece Carole (Ron). He also leaves behind a large circle of family and friends in Alberta and Saskatchewan. He was predeceased by his parents Emma and William, wife Alice, infant son, brother Elden and infant grandson Maurice William Morin.

A special thank you to all the nurses and many others on the 3rd floor of Cowichan District Hospital and to Dr. Froese, Chaplain Elaina and Pastor Norm for their kindness and compassion.

No funeral service will be held by request. A private family memorial will be held. In lieu of flowers please give a donation to the BC Heart and Stroke Foundation. Online condolences may be offered at [www.hwwallacecbc.com](http://www.hwwallacecbc.com)

Dad you will be missed dearly but will always be in our hearts and thoughts.

So many Memories

