A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me".

Remember the best, the laughter, the song.

The good life I lived while I was strong.

Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.

Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin,
Until the day comes we're together again.





Honoured to serve the family of Samuel West To send a condolence, please visit our website at www.cornerstonefuneralhome.com | 403-381-7777 (24/7)

Samuel Leslie West, beloved husband of Shelley West, of Picture Butte, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family, at the Foothills Medical Centre, on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the age of 64 years.

Sam is survived by his daughters Sammi (Dave) Lutterotti of Lethbridge, Robberta (Marc) Perreault of Calgary, Amy of Jasper and Katie (Sean Maclean) of Lethbridge; sons Frank (Jocelyn) and Casey (Kristie) both of Picture Butte; grandchildren Hunter and Ottavio Lutterotti, Kade and Belle Perreault and Samuel and Nora West; mother Jennie West of Picture Butte and his mother-in-law Alice Bond of Rawdon, N.S.; sisters Arlene (Wade) Bourne, Peggy (Les Hanley) and Laura (Joe) Metka; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law Celeste MacNeil, Charlie (Ardis) Bond, Avora (Earle) Babcock, Karen (Tom) MacDonald, Anita (Steve) Taylor and Ellie Smith (Ron Johnson).

He was predeceased by his daughter Chelsey, father Frank, father-in-law Arthur Bond and brother-in-law Kirby Bond.

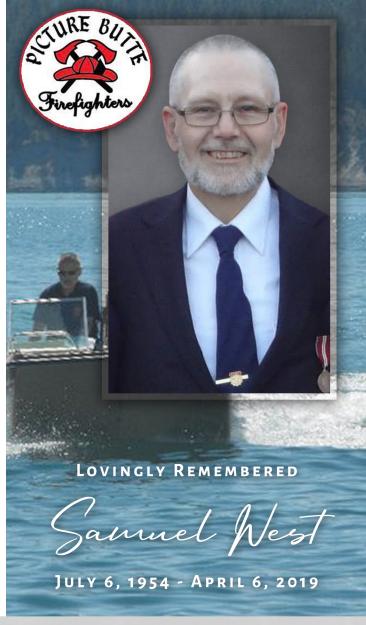
Sam was born in Lethbridge, AB, and lived there until he was 12 years old. His family then moved to Calgary. After high school, Sam became a licensed auto and heavy duty mechanic, working for Aamco Transmission and Precision Transmission in Calgary. It was during this time that he met and married Shelley. Starting a family, they first moved to Lethbridge and then in 1985 to Picture Butte. Sam worked for Kunsman Transport in Lethbridge, Butte Motors and Farm Supply Ltd. in Picture Butte and then in 1991, started with the County of Lethbridge as the school bus mechanic. In 1995, the school board separated from the County and became Palliser Regional Schools, where Sam continued to work until his health forced him into early retirement.

In 1988, Sam joined the Picture Butte Volunteer Fire Department. This is where he found his passion. For the next 26 years, he poured his heart and soul into being a firefighter. He quickly moved up through the ranks, becoming the Volunteer Fire Chief in 1996. Sam was also instrumental in starting the first ambulance service in Picture Butte. He made many lasting friendships through the fire department and through hose laying competitions. The only thing he loved more was his family.

He was a proud and dedicated father, grandfather, son, brother and a very loving, understanding husband. He coached soccer, helped with first aid on his kids' hockey teams, taught Sunday School and served on the Trinity United Church Board. The things he enjoyed most though were the camping trips, boating and family dinners where everyone gathered together. He was so loved and will be greatly missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks those who are able to consider donating blood in Sam's memory. For those who cannot, donations may be made to:

Canyon Church Camp #418, 210A - 12A Street North, Lethbridge, AB T1H 2J1 to rebuild the chapel destroyed in the Kenow Wildfire.



Visitation

Cornerstone Funeral Home 2800 Mayor Magrath Drive South | Lethbridge, AB Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Funeral Service

Southminster United Church 1011 - 4 Avenue South | Lethbridge, AB Friday, April 12, 2019 at 2:30pm

Officiant - Reverend Glenda Wert
Organist - Laurel Van Vaerenbergh
Soloist - Tess Richardson
Drummers - Lethbridge Firefighters Pipes & Drums

Musical Selections Daddy's Hands Do Lord

Scripture Readings Ecclesiastes 3 Psalm 23 Matthew 25: 35-45

Tribute - Sam's children

Video Tribute created by Sam's family

Interment

Following the Funeral Service, Sam will be laid to rest in Mountain View Cemetery, next to his daughter Chelsey

Active Pallbearers

Frank West - Casey West - Dave Lutterotti - Marc Perreault Sean Maclean - Hunter Lutterotti - Ottavio Lutterotti - Kade Perreault

Honourary Pallbearers
David & Teresa Feist - Benny & MayLee Nielsen
Rita & Dan Tolley - Sandy & Sheila Cook

Reception

Family and friends are invited to further share this day in the Southminster Church Hall