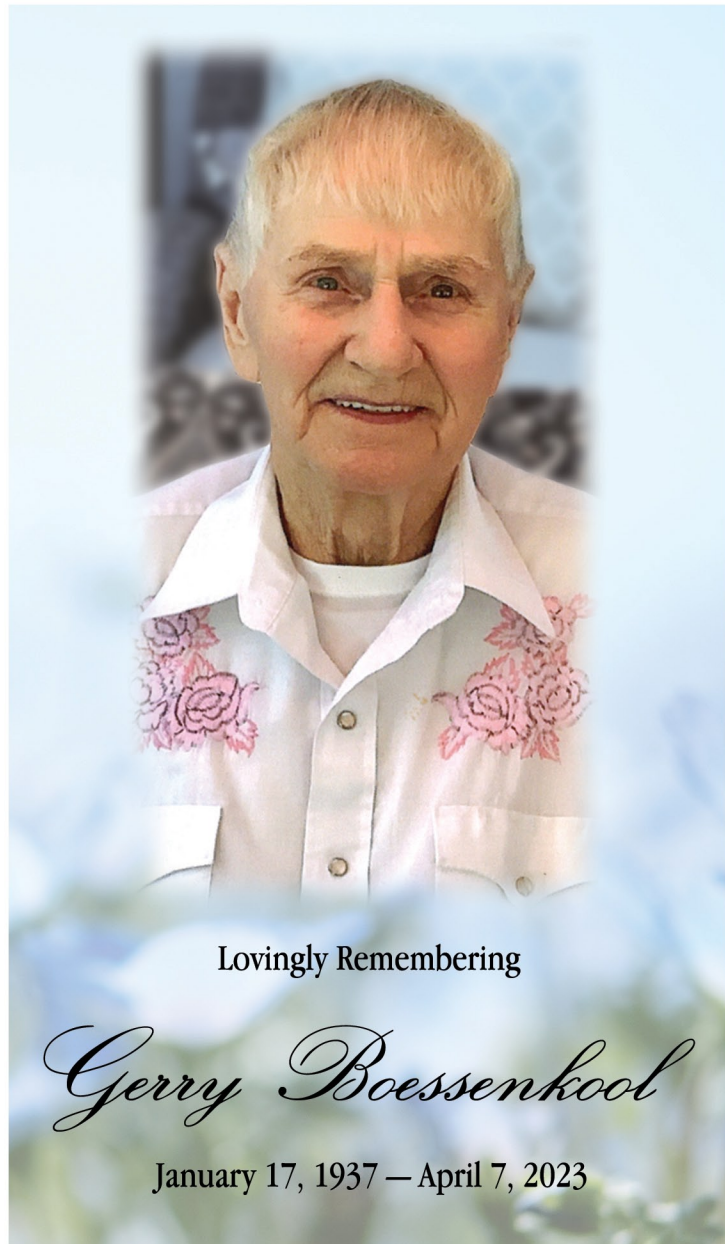


When I Must Leave You

*When I must leave you for a little while
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*



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Lovingly Remembering

Gerry Boessenkool

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Mr. Gerry Boessenkool passed away peacefully and suddenly at the Chinook Regional Hospital on April 7, 2023.

Born on January 17, 1937 in Dedemsvaart, Holland. He immigrated to Canada in 1954.

Gerry married May Sawa in November of 1960. They were married for 50 years until her passing in August 2011. They had 3 children: Greg, Lorraine and Cindy. Gerry lost his only son Greg in 2017.

Gerry's jobs included, milk man, semi truck driver hauling petro, and salesperson for a cleaning supply company (GH Wood). Gerry and his wife May started their own cleaning company, holding the cleaning contract for the 18th Air Defense Regiment here in Lethbridge, when he retired in 1999.

Gerry was a fine musician right up until his passing. He played his keyboard, and accordion for many crowds, young and old alike. This was his one true passion. He kept his keyboard set up in his room at the Heritage Lodge so he could play everyday, and play he did. He performed in many of the senior residences here in Lethbridge as well as surrounding communities. His wife would come to listen to him along with their dog Kita.

Gerry was predeceased by his wife May in 2011, son Greg in 2017, mother Henny Stocker/Boessenkool in 1990, his father Geert Boessenkool in 1945, 6 siblings and numerous in-laws. He is survived by his children, Lorraine (Ken) and Cindy. He is also survived by his sister and brothers: Tine, Johnny (Ruth), Harry (Joanne). He is also survived by his grandchildren Devon and Levi. He has many nieces and nephews.

He will be sadly missed by many family members, friends and Lucy, a very special lady who came into his life at just the right moment.

Celebration of Life

Cornerstone Funeral Home
2825 - 32 Street South, Lethbridge, AB
Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 2:30 PM

Officiant - Patrick Siedlecki

Order of Service

Processional: *On The Wings of A Dove*
Opening Poem
Welcome
Life Story by Pat
Eulogy by daughter Lorraine Tyerman
Reflection song: *Edelweiss*
Gerry's Journey to Canada by Harry Boessenkool
Video Tribute from Holland
Slideshow
Message of Hope by Pat
Announcements
Closing Words
Recessional: *Dancing Fingers*

Reception

Family and friends are invited to further share this day in the
Cornerstone Reception Room