



f MR. f FERNAND f REAL f NADEAU, of Lethbridge, AB, beloved husband of Lillian, passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at the age of 91 years.

Besides his loving wife Lillian, Fern is survived by his family: Paul (Shannon) Nadeau, Courtney (Anneli), Robyn (John); Guy (Tracey) Nadeau, Kelsey (Hayden), Matthew, Carmen; Monique (Ken) Corey, Blake (Lindsey), Derek (Natasha); Michelle (John) Beekman, Lindsey (Tate), Jeffrey; Marcelle (Bryce) Cale, Logan (Vienna), Levi (Kesla); Arlene (Bill) Ritchie, Alysen, Rheanne (Gary); Karen Sorgard, Kristy (Ryan), Shannon (Jason), Mike and Mark (Emily) and 15 great-grandchildren, with one arriving soon, along with numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents Aime and Hedwidge, sister Irene and brother Rene, wife Germaine, infant granddaughter Amanda, son-in-law Jamie and great-grandson.

Fern was born on July 29, 1931, in Ponteix Saskatchewan. He grew up in Val Marie and left home at 17 years of age with \$75 in his pocket. He had several occupations throughout his life including working as a lumberjack in Ontario, installing hardwood floors with his cousins in Lethbridge and farming in Val Marie. There he met Germaine, mar<mark>ried in 1954, and raised</mark> five children. In 1976, they moved to Coaldale, Alberta.

Fern was a man of many talents and excelled at anything he set his mind to. Repairing and fixing farming equipment, carpentry and welding gave him the skills to excel at his job at ITB in Coaldale until his retirement in 1994. A perfectionist at heart, he always had different wood working projects on the go, from redoing kitchen cupboards to making toys for his grandchildren. His love of travelling took him to many places with family and friends. He enjoyed camping, fishing, and mostly, the large family gatherings.

After Germaine's passing, Fern was lucky to meet the second love of his life and married Lillian Gorda in 2002. They spent their golden years travelling, spending time with family and had a shared a passion for playing cards.

Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Uncle, Friend, you are forever in our hearts. We will miss you.

A heartfelt thank you to the staff and caregivers of 3C Chinook Regional Hospital and the doctors of Family Medical Centre for the exceptional, compassionate care Fern received.

## Funeral Mass

St. Martha's Catholic Church 355 Columbia Boulevard West, Lethbridge, AB Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 11:00 AM

Celebrant ~ Father William Monis Pianist/Soloist ~ Christina Lohues Altar Servers - Jesse George and Matteo George

### Musical Selections

Processional: Come to Me Offertory: Be Not Afraid Communion: Seed Scattered and Sown Meditation: Ave Maria Recessional: Precious Lord Take My Hand

Readings

Job 19:23-26 Read by Arlene Ritchie Psalm 25

2 Timothy 4:6-8 Read by Marcelle Cale John 14:1-7 Read by Fr. William Monis Prayers of the Faithful Read by Kelsey Nadeau



Honouary Pallbearers
All Fernand's Grandchildren

### Pallbearers

Blake Corey - Derek Corey - Logan Cale Jeffrey Beekman - Matthew Nadeau - Levi Cale

# Interment

Following the Funeral Mass, Fernand will be laid to rest in Mountain View Cemetery 1210 Scenic Drive South, Lethbridge, AB

Reception

Following the Interment, family and friends are invited to further share this day in St. Martha's Church Hall

