

## A VETERANS DREAM

He fights with his heart, his head down low  
He sees pain and suffering way down below.

Explosions, bombs, screams, and cry;  
He fights with his heart, he's ready to die.

He dreams of freedom, courage and pride;  
His heart his hope has not yet died.

He thinks, he runs, he fights aside,  
Others with courage hope and pride.

He shoots, he ducks, then runs some more;  
He thinks back as he runs through a door.

It's raining again, it stopped before,  
He shoots, he fights amid the gore.

The water, the dirt, a huge mud slide;  
He shouts, he screams, he will not hide.

He knows, he knows, it's not his turn;  
As he looks around, people burn.

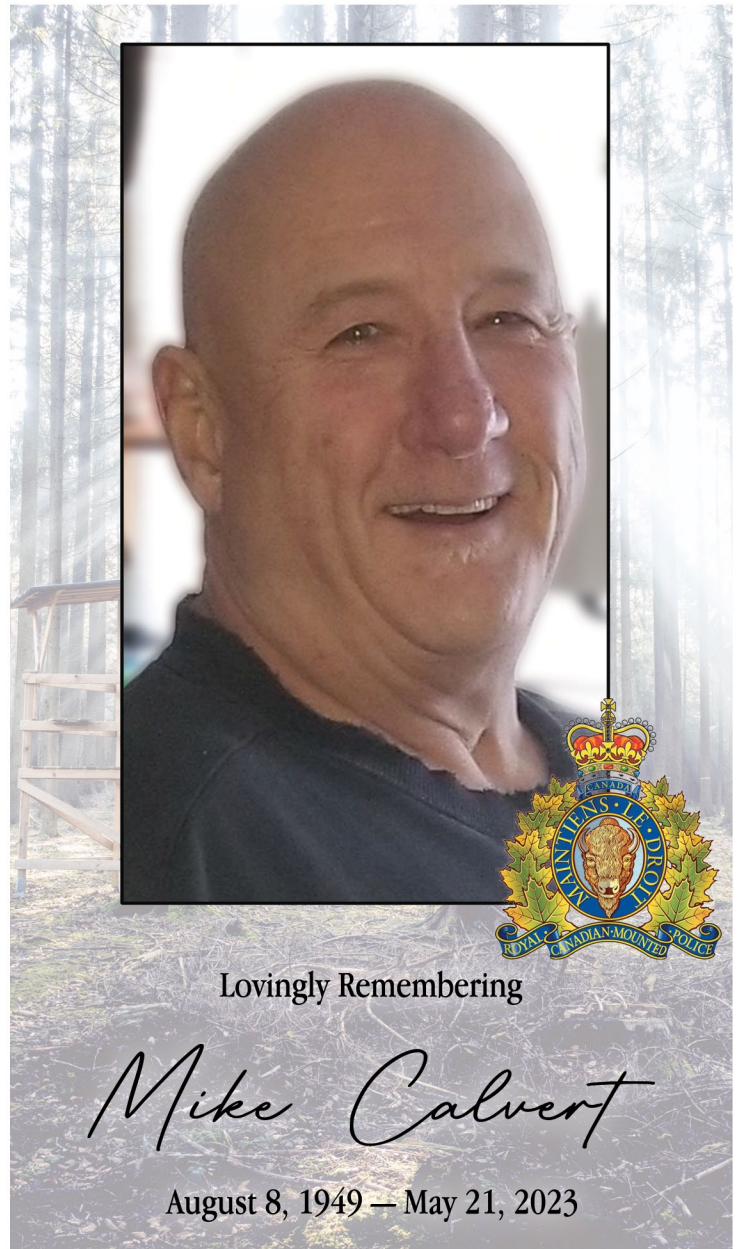
He awakes in a sweat; his throat is dry,  
Although many years, have gone by.

The painful memories still make him cry,  
Grateful and sorry he did not die.

- Written by Chance Crossland



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Lovingly Remembering

*Mike Calvert*

August 8, 1949 — May 21, 2023

**Michael (Mike) Calvert** was born to Geoffrey and Eunice Calvert in Chesterfield, Derbyshire, England. Mike and his brother Peter resided in England until Spring 1955, which allowed the family to witness the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. The Calvert family decided to emigrate to Canada, settling in Bellevue, Ontario, where Mike welcomed two more brothers into the family, David, and Phillip. When Mike was just 17, he enlisted in the Canadian Army, serving Canada from 1966-1969 in Western Europe.

When Mike returned home, he decided to continue his service by joining the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Mike's first post for the RCMP was in Wainwright, then moving to Vulcan, Alberta, where he started many lifelong friendships. Mike was then transferred to Peace River for a few years, before transferring back to Southern Alberta again, serving in Picture Butte. After a short period of time, Mike made another transfer to Wetaskiwin, where he established his home for many years. Mike took it upon himself to decide where his next transfer would be, and spent a memorable day at "K" division in Edmonton, arriving home with transfer papers to Turner Valley. Mike served 5 years in Turner Valley, before his last posting, at the Calgary International Airport, where he retired out of. Mike served 27 years for the RCMP in Alberta and dedicated his life to the profession. One of his proudest moments as an RCMP officer was in 1978, when he served as RCMP guard to Queen Elizabeth II, during her visit to Edmonton for the Commonwealth Games.

After his retirement, Mike stayed in Turner Valley and opened "Mike's Sharpening Service", which he operated for 5 years until his move to an acreage in Magrath. With a few years of sheep farming under his belt, Mike made his final move to Carmangay, where he resided until his passing.

Mike spent his free time playing baseball, and hockey. Mike always had a passion for hunting, fishing on the Oldman River, and spending time hiking in the Rocky Mountains. Mike took numerous ski vacation within Western Canada, Idaho, and even skiing in Austria. Mike loved his muscle cars, and attending car shows during his retirement. Mike had a passion for history, continually learning and reading, right until his passing.

Mike is survived by 3 brothers, 2 children, and 5 grandchildren. Mike is also survived by so many colleagues and friends, who became an extension of his family. Mike could have written a book, about all his stories that he had while living in Alberta, in each place he called home.

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Vulcan Legion

240 Sinclair Road, Vulcan, AB

Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 1:00 PM

**Officiant - Bob Meredith**

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome and Personal Remembrance  
by Bob Meredith

Reading of the Eulogy and Personal Remembrance  
by Jack Roebuck

Personal Remembrance by Steve Callahan

Family Remembrance by Peter Calvert

Recorded Audio by Cheryl Calvert

Video Tribute

Open Mic

## LUNCHEON

Please stay for a light luncheon provided by the  
Vulcan Ladies Auxiliary

The Legion will be open for all to stay and  
share stories about "Iron" Mike