

## CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

### ORDINAND



I am a 60 year old Cree/Saulteaux woman from the George Gordon First Nation. I am the 6th youngest of 14 children. My parent are Roland (Porky) Pratt and Mary Pratt neé Anderson.

I grew up with both Traditional and Christian teaching; the Traditional teachings were taught very subtly by my Great Grandmother MaryJane Anderson. She had to teach them in this way otherwise she risked imprisonment. They were so subtle I never realized I had them in me until 1986 when the Grandfather

teachings were introduced in a upgrading course I took- I knew them all as they were presented. The Christian teachings were thrust upon me at a very young age by various religious groups.(6).

It took me many, many years to trust in any religious organizations, and also to listen, know and understand God's calling of me.

I first trained at Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre in 1988-1989 but quit because I felt unworthy to be a minister. I still took part in All Native Circle Conference throughout the following years until it closed down. I again felt God's strong call for me to serve so I went back to Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre in January 2013 and graduated the program in April 2017.

I've faced and overcome many obstacles with God holding my hand and guiding me to this point. I believe with my whole being I am where he wants me.

### ORDINAND

#### BRUCE NEAL KAKAKAWAY



I'm from White Bear First Nation in Southeast Saskatchewan, born in a small town hospital called Arcola. I was raised and grew up on the First Nation. I was mostly raised and cared for by my maternal grandmother and grandfather. My grandmother taught me my language and some of the ground skills that I know (Traditional things). My maternal grandmother is Saulteaux; she taught me some Saulteaux, but she also taught me mostly Cree. My grandmother was the first person to take me to a church on our First Nation, United Church. I heard the first hymn in my life called 'Jesus loves me'.

I really loved the Sunday School that was there at the time. I also did learn some traditional teachings from

my grandfather and other family members. If it wasn't for my grandmother taking me to church on that one Sunday when I was 8 years old, I don't believe I would be a minister today. Then again?

I graduated off my First Nation as we had no school here at the time; by this time my grandmother and grandfather were already gone from my life. I still miss my grandmother and grandfather, but it is mostly my grandmother that I miss most of all.

I have 6 daughters and many, many extended family members. My mother is still in my life, but my father passed on before I became a teenager.

I have just recently graduated from Sandy Saulteaux Spiritual Center. I am very proud that I finally completed the training. It took me a long time to get where I am, a lot of heartaches and tears, but also a lot of hard fought accomplishments.

I was placed as a student minister at File Hills, and I have met good people there. They have taught me a lot and some of them will be present at my ordination. I am currently waiting for my full-time position in Hazelton, B.C. to start in November or December of this year. I am very thankful for The United Church of Canada for accepting me as an ordained minister.

I am the only one in my family history to be an ordained minister, now that I think of it... I believe this is what my grandmother hoped for!

## **ADMITTAND**

### **HYUN HEO**

I was born in Wonju and raised in Seoul, South Korea. Since I was kid, I always dreamed to be a minister to serve God and others. I have earned a Bachelor of Theology (BTh) in 2005 and a Master of Divinity (MDiv) in 2007 from Hanshin University and College in South Korea and served as an associate minister at An-min church which is one of Min-Jung church that have been working for the people who have been politically oppressed, economically exploited, socially marginalized, culturally despised, and religiously condemned. After I got ordained in the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea in 2009, I served at Hyo-dong Church in Seoul, South Korea and Hamburg Korean Church in Germany as a youth and young adult minister in Korean-German community. I came to Canada in 2013. Since fall 2017, I am walking on my faithful journey with Kipling and Grenfell Pastoral Charge (Since Jan. 2020).



I am convinced that the ministry of The United Church of Canada will be a great opportunity in finding answers to my question about the future of the church. I would like to say that the greatest expectation of ministry in Canada is the possibility of unity in diversity and that everyone's thoughts and confessions cannot be contained all on one page. One page of the book is gathered to complete the one book. Each page has its own story. In other words, while respecting each one's life no matter their backgrounds, identities, and beliefs.

In an age of challenging, I believe that we still may celebrate the gifts that have received from God and we can share our beautiful stories and live together in dreams of the hope of God's kin-dom (Familia-Dei) in diversity and radical loving actions.

**ADMITTAND**

**HOEUN LEE**



It is a great honour to be admitted to The Order of Ministry of The United Church of Canada. I was ordained in Presbyterian Church of Korea in October 2012, and my intercultural journey of ministry came along with the community of St. Andrew's College (Saskatoon) and The Coteau Hills Pastoral Charge (Birsay and Lucky Lake) since the summer of 2017. My ministry at St. Paul's United Church in Tisdale started in July 2020. My wife Yoonjoo and I are fully enjoying living in this beautiful land of living skies with our child Jaye.

As a Ph. D. candidate in Theology of Culture at Yonsei University Graduate School (Seoul, South Korea), I am broadly interested in cultural phenomena such as new communication tools, its relationship with "BTS (a Korean Boy Band) and their global fandom ARMY," and their theological implications. My approach is very much relying on the perspective of Minjung theology and postcolonial theology. Recently, I have built a YouTube channel Second Wind Archive (<https://www.youtube.com/c/secondwindarchive>) where I would like to witness works of the wind of the Spirit in peoples' lives and stories. With an aspiration for innovation in these strange times and for the full participation of all generations in worship, I have been providing online worship services. I hope my gifts and skills that I have cultivated in my theological education and that came from my diverse ministerial experiences across Korea and Canada serve the congregation with the best. Peace and grace be with you all.

## RETIREES' BIOGRAPHIES

### CATHERINE COATES

The United Church is in my blood. I remember washing dishes at a UCW tea when I was 8—my Mom needed help and there I was! Thus began a journey that has included volunteer work, paid staff person, and ordained ministry. As a child and teen, church camping gave me space to explore my faith and Camp Grafton on Shuswap Lake became a second home. I continued to be involved in church camping and for many years was on the board of George Pringle Memorial Camp at Shawnigan Lake, BC.



I loved my volunteer work with the church but there was this growing sense of something more. My dear friend and mentor Bari Castle listened to my ramblings until she finally told me to get cracking and do something instead of wondering. A few years later I was at St. Andrew's College, having moved my 3 teenagers, a dog, and cat to Saskatoon.

While a student at St A's I was hired to be a Spiritual Care associate at St Paul's Hospital, the first Protestant woman. Part of the job was assisting at daily Mass—a great learning.

Following an internship at Grosvenor Park in Saskatoon, and completing seminary, I was settled in Quill Lake then a 3-point pastoral charge. I am so grateful for the people of that Charge who walked with me as I continued to learn how to minister. I accepted a Call to McKillop in Lethbridge as part of a staff team before finding my way back to hospital chaplaincy in Saskatoon. It's funny how we end up where we started.

So many people have been part of my ministry journey. My parents, congregation members, the children at McKillop, team mate Terry Shillington, and becoming a grandma have been part of shaping how I express my ministry. But who has taught me the most about a God of life, living, love, and hope are the patients and their families in the ICU, on Oncology, in Peds, Palliative Care, and waiting to access medical assistance in dying. I have been so honoured to be the UCC hospital chaplain these last 10 years. I've laughed and cried, officiated at weddings around a hospital bed, baptized little ones whose first few breaths were their last, heard 'confessions', listened to life stories, and sat quietly holding the hand of someone dying. It has been a sacred journey.

Retirement into a COVID world changed my immediate plans however I am hoping to see grandkids (and their parents) sometime in the future when travel is safe again. I volunteer with READ Saskatoon, do a bit of pulpit supply, and love to read, walk, and cycle.

**WENDY GIBSON**

I am a born and true Saskatchewan girl, raised in the United Church with summer students and local women doing Sunday School throughout the winter. As a teen and young adult, I attended an evangelical church but after a time realized that my theology was much more open and inclusive and I returned to the United Church.

I married and as I was raising a young family, I served in the local church in Riverhurst, Sask. as Sunday School teacher and superintendent, held various positions on both the local and pastoral charge boards and was a delegate to presbytery for a number of years.

I began helping out with local services and was encouraged to take the Lay Preacher's course at Calling Lakes in the mid-90s after which I did pulpit supply in a number of pastoral charges in south central Saskatchewan for about 10 years. Eventually I felt called to full-time ministry and, after discernment, enrolled in the Lay Pastoral Ministry program attending sessions in 2005-7. This was a time of wonderful fellowship and intense learning and I am thankful to Jo-Anne Knobbe and the members of the Lay Supervision Team who walked with me on the journey. I was recognized as a DLM at the Regional Gathering of Saskatchewan Conference in Swift Current in June 2008.

I was appointed to the Mossbank Pastoral Charge and began serving with the people there in February 2005 and continued there until December 2019 when the difficult decision was made to close the church. It has been a privilege and pleasure to be a part of their fellowship to walk with them through joys and sorrows for just short of 15 years. Over the years I have been involved in presbytery as part of MP&E, Division of Mission and most recently was minute secretary in Chinook Presbytery. I also have attended Saskatchewan Conference Annual meetings many times over the years, even before going into ministry. Over the past 15 years I have also been a member of the South Saskatchewan Committee, a member of the CIES team of conference and sat on Search and JNAC committees.

Currently I am without appointment and prior to Covid-19 was doing some pulpit supply and looking forward to a possible part-time appointment.

My husband, David, and I are the proud parents of 3 grown daughters and we have purchased the former manse in Mossbank where David continues to work and where we intend to retire.

**B. ELIZABETH GOODSON**

I completed my MSC and B.Ed at the University of Western Ontario and taught science for several years before being hired as a staff associate at Blenheim (ON) United Church and Sprucedale-Providence (Chatham, ON) Pastoral Charge, both in the former London Conference. I eventually entered the discernment process and felt called to enter the LPMiT stream. In 2000 I was hired by the Kipling-Windthorst Pastoral Charge in the former Saskatchewan Conference and moved to Kipling with my two children Ashe and Blake. I was recognized in 2004. In 2005 I married my current husband, Mike Williams. During the years I served in Kipling-Windthorst I trained to become a spiritual director with Prairie Jubilee. In 2008 Mike and I moved to south-west Manitoba to serve in team ministry in the Prairie Points

Pastoral Charge. In 2012 we returned to Saskatchewan to be closer to Ashe and Blake. I had been hired by the Stoughton Pastoral Charge and have been there ever since.

My years at Stoughton have been marked by several high points in our family: my daughter's wedding, the births of three children to she and her partner Chris (Hayden, Maddison and Gabriella), and my sons marriage this past year to Melissa.

Over the years I had the opportunity to take theology courses offered online and by distance education through Queen's, UWO, St Andrew's and University of Winnipeg and attended many wonderful educational events at five Oaks (ON), PCTC (SK) and Knox Metropolitan Church in Victoria, BC. The ability to continually pursue educational possibilities has kept me feeling alive, challenged and vibrant.

The United Church has been my home from infancy and I look forward to continuing to serve as a retired person.

### **DARILYN GRIGG**



Darilyn Grigg graduated for the Western Field Base, St. Stephen's, University of Edmonton. Before that she worked as a staff associate. She served in Saskatchewan and Ontario. Sadly, she became ill and finished her paid accountable minister on Long term Disability. She had three children and two Grandchildren.

### **MARG JANICK-GRAYSTON**



I consider myself fortunate to have been raised by a loving family on a farm in Roland, Manitoba, where I discovered a connection with nature, was taught a solid work ethic, and the importance of faith.

After graduating from high school, I studied Recreational Therapy at Mount Royal College in Calgary. That led me to opportunities to work holistically with people in Rehab Centers, Mental Health Facilities, Long Term Care Homes, Developmental Classrooms, and Group Homes. It was during this time that I witnessed people's amazing human resilience, deep yearning to belong, and the importance of truly listening to people's stories in life with compassion and empathy. The people I encountered during that time became my greatest teachers in life, and inspired me to explore ways to begin to accompany people spiritually. To learn more about the nature of spiritual accompaniment, I took a 2 year pastoral care program at PCT, followed by the LLWL program, and then the BTH program at St. Andrew's College.

I was so very fortunate to be settled in the Canora- Invermay Pastoral Charge, which later became the Canora-Norquay-Pelly Pastoral Charge. After 7 years, I requested a shift in pastoral relations to work as Program Director at Calling Lakes Centre. I am deeply grateful for all the experiences, and learning that took place there, and still, like many, grieve the loss of that amazing centre. After its closure, I began a donation based service to offer spiritual mentoring, small group spiritual retreats, energy work, facilitation in expressive arts therapy programs, and continued leadership in the LLWL program. Little did I know that the Canora

Pastoral Charge would become vacant again during that time and I would end up serving there in a 1/2 time position for another 5 years before retirement. That brought me full circle and it was like coming home to people I had fallen in love with when I was settled there years ago.

I consider my 21 years in Recreational Therapy, 22 years in leadership in the church, and 6 years offering Free Flow Wellness Services to all be forms of ministry that I was spiritually guided towards. I am forever grateful to my life partner, and our children for their flexibility, support, teachings and love, as well as my extended family, friends, parishioners, and many people I have crossed paths with along the way that shaped and formed me into the person I am today. My heart is filled with deep gratitude.

### **DONNA RUMPEL**



I was born in a nursing home in Strasbourg, Saskatchewan in 1946 and attended the Bulyea, United Church with my parents where I was baptized and confirmed into its' membership in 1962. My husband and I were married in 1966 and raised our 4 children in Earl Grey, SK.

Once my children were out of school, I ventured into employment in the corporate world where for 18 years I worked in administration and financial departments, customer service and developed quality control programs.

Meanwhile I was privileged to serve The United Church of Canada on many committees and executives within the Earl Grey congregation (as well as being their organist); Wascana (formerly Regina) Presbytery, Saskatchewan Conference and General Council Executive.

My call to ministry began very innocently when the minister's laryngitis prevented her from speaking and I offered to read her sermon. I often said the 'pulpit bug' bit me that day and I felt the pull & push of God's call begin. I completed the LLWL program and served the area in that capacity for 8 years. Not being able to provide pastoral care to those I saw hurting within the pews led me into discernment. God's call led me full circle back to the Strasbourg community where I was born. When I stepped into that pulpit to provide pulpit supply, there was a complete feeling of "this is where I need you to be".

So with that I give my humble thanks to the Strasbourg community of faith for the opportunity to serve them for 10 years as they put their faith in me and supported me as I completed the education program and then served them as a Designated Lay Minister. This church gave me the flexibility to practise everything I was learning, including many different types of worship services and different ways to celebrate communion together. This charge was always very generous financially and put their trust in me to regulate the half-time position and allowed me to take extra time off when necessary. My utmost appreciation to the M&P committee, the worship committee and the Pastoral Care Team who worked tirelessly to keep me within 20 hrs/week.

I will continue to be as active within the church as my health allows. I currently serve on group researching Rural Ministry surrounding the city of Regina; and on the Pastoral Relations Commission in the Living Skies Region

## SALESI TAKAU



Friends, here is part of my story. I was born and raised in an oceanic culture in the Island-Kingdom of Tonga in the mid-South Pacific region. Tonga is the only Polynesian monarchy still existing, and Methodist is the National Church. My father was a faithful and eloquent middle-of-the-road-theology Methodist minister. Amazingly, he did not want any of his children to be a minister. All he asked of his children was: to get a good education, be a good citizen of the world, and give as much as we can to church's mission and to those who haven't much. After his retirement, I shared with him my dream to train for ministry. At the end of our conversation, he said, "Son, if you have a dream of becoming a minister, go and pursue it as your call, but not because you're the son of a minister. I know in my heart that you can be a minister, but I want you to consider that your stuttering disability would be a challenge. And I believe that a positive person like yourself should know that serving in the ministry is literally no different from any secular career where you hope for the best and prepare for the worst". His response did make sense, because I have a stuttering problem, but the content of our conversation formed the foundation and propelled my deep desire for discernment in ministry.

After receiving my NZCC and ACA in Commerce and Taxation, I had the opportunity to serve as Tax Auditor for 17 years in New Zealand and 4 years in Tonga - at the Inland Revenue Department. In 1986, my desire for discernment re-emerged. So, I decided to explore the merits of Christian ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand. In 1988, the Students and Training for Ministry Task Committee gave me a green light to study part-time in: Pastoral ministry in Pluralistic Context at Trinity-Theological College (NZ). In 1991, the same Task Committee recommended me to be ordained into the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. After my ordination, I served as half-time stipend and a half-time self-supporting minister in "Anti-Poverty" ministry of Wesley-Broadway Methodist Parish's Social & Welfare Service in Palmerston North city. The reason why I chose anti-poverty ministry was because serving people on any individual basis was more suited to my stuttering disability. However, as time went by, I determined not to let my stuttering define who I am. I have learned how to deliver a good speech with help of speech therapists. It was hard work and a worthwhile self-improvement. Although, I have improved my speech skill significantly over the years, I still have a bit of an issue with being blunt here and there. All is well!

In early May 1998, I came to visit a brother and his family in Vancouver. On the last Sunday of May, I attended the worship service at Wilson Height United Church led by Dr. David Lockhead from Vancouver School of Theology. In his sermon, he talked about his vision of introducing a theology of computers in ministry for the digital generation. Dr. Lockhead's visionary sermon inspired me to explore advanced studies in theology and ministry at the Vancouver School Of Theology (VST). In July 1998, I was accepted by VST's Admission Board into the one-year Gateway Diploma in Christian Ministry. In May 1999, I completed this course, going on to graduate with an MTS (with thesis in Christianity and Ecology). From September 2002 to 2006, I pursued a Doctor of Ministry degree, but completed only 80% of the program because of some health and financial issues. In 2003, I was accepted to serve as ordained supply minister and in 2005, I was officially admitted as an Ordained Minister into The United Church of Canada and in 2006 I attained my MDIV. After nearly three decades of study and serving in ministry, I have learned that "being in ministry with all people of God is truly a never ending act of love and commitments for the goodness of all God's Creations".

With gratitude for these opportunities, I have been blessed, enriched, empowered and enlighten by my ministry and theological studies in VST and UCC's pastoral ministry and trainings. During the course of my ministry, I have been involved in planning and organizing



the First - Inter-cultural Conference (General Council). I have served as Chair of Foothills Presbytery (AB), Oversight Convener of Chinook Presbytery (SK) and in other capacities. I am currently a volunteer in the Regional Pastoral Relations Council. In addition, I am also blessed for being the first Polynesian-Tongan - minister, to ever have served in The United Church of Canada. Looking back to eighteen years ago, I joined the UCC's ministry with a humorous smile, love, excitement, doubt, and wonder. Today, I see how people have given me joyful laughter, kindness, compassion, competence, hope and trust. This beloved Church of ours will never cease but it will progressively change.

On behalf of my family: Amelia (spouse), Stella (daughter), Joshua (son-in-law) and grandchildren: Iona, James, Axel, Salesi (Jnr) Ora Parsons - thank you to the UCC and the Communities of Faith that we have served. In return, they truly blessed us with their love, care, wisdom, guidance, coaching, and enabled us to find our place in Canada's cultural society. These Communities of Faith included: First United – Vancouver Downtown Eastside (Field Placement Practice Site) Roblin-Tummel (MB), Swan River (MB), Acme-Beiseker (AB), Abbey-Lancer- Portreeve (SK), Leader-Scepter (SK) (in shared ministry agreement with). Finally, I must admit, that I have had experienced wilderness struggles in my journey; but I have never allowed the worst days encountered to be my last. I always hold on and rest my faith in God's grace and seek God's reign of wholeness. And I listen to Holy Spirit's wisdom and choose to believe in God's incarnation and embodiment in Christ.

Shalom! Aroha-Nui! ' Mahalo! 'Ofa Atu!

### URSULA WIIG



It seems a little strange to be writing a “retiree biography” when I’m still in ministry!

Except for 3 years after I left home, the church has always been a big part of my life. A PK, preacher’s kid, I was born in England and brought up on the “mission field” in Northern Rhodesia/Zambia. I met my future life partner, a Canadian, when we were volunteers at a Christian Conference Centre in Israel, and came to Canada as a young bride in January 1973. Paid accountable ministry is my 3rd career, after teaching and being a home-maker, pastor’s wife, and mother to 4 children. A turning point in my life came when I returned to academic studies in my 40s. These studies led to crisis of faith and I was seriously tempted to leave the church. Fortunately a colleague of my husband’s recommended St Andrew’s College as a place where I could freely explore my spiritual questions. So it was during my MTS program at St Andrew’s that I gradually began to find my voice and my Christian faith was reconstructed.

In 2000 I was privileged to be hired as a lay person to be the half-time Ecumenical Chaplain at the University of SK. It was a wonderful opportunity which built on my ecumenical and inter-faith experience, though the Chaplaincy’s anomalous relationship with its 3 sponsoring denominations had its challenges. But I really enjoyed the creative freedom to work outside the box with students, staff and faculty: to accompany students as they navigated this transitional stage of their lives, to nurture their spiritual yearnings, and provide opportunities to explore social issues and learn about other faith traditions.

After 11 years as chaplain I knew it was time to move on to a new chapter of my life and a very different type of ministry. I felt called to congregational rural ministry. So, after completing a

M.Div and being ordained in 2014 at the age of 67 (it's never to late!), I was called to half-time ministry in Loreburn-Hawarden Pastoral Charge. The community welcomed me into their lives and graciously nurtured me in pastoral ministry. For 7¼ years (including an internship), together we shared the joys and sorrows of rural ministry in the 21st Century. I "officially" retired on August 31, 2019, and enjoyed 5 months of retirement until a half-time appointment at Davidson United Church beckoned.

In semi-retirement I feel very blessed to be able to continue to be challenged to grow in faith and serve in a rapidly changing environment. I am grateful to those who have encouraged and supported me along the way, especially my family and friends, mentors and others who supported me in my ministry along the way. Thank you.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**RAY WILLIAM GEORGE GRIFFIN**

**May 29, 1937 – June 3, 2019**



The family regrets to announce that Ray William George Griffin, after 82 years of living an exceptional life, passed away on June 3, 2019 in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

He was a much-loved son, brother, husband, father, and grandfather. He was a beloved teacher, a wonderful friend, a passionate champion for justice and will be deeply missed by so many.

Ray was born May 29, 1937 to parents Donald Charles Griffin and Laura Mabel Griffin (nee Brown) in Alameda, Saskatchewan. As well as sharing the spotlight with his older sister, Barbara Ruth (Barb), his peaceful existence was rudely interrupted by the births of siblings Donald Grant (Grant), Murray Douglas (Murray), Laura Jean (Jean), and Graeme Edwin (Graeme).

As a student preacher, serving in Rosthern Saskatchewan, Ray met Eleanor Janet Giesbrecht (Janet), and on September 3, 1960 the two were married in Rosthern, Saskatchewan.

They lived in Saskatoon where Janet worked as a nurse and Ray worked for Remington in typewriter sales. In 1961 their son, Douglas Bruce Griffin was born in Saskatoon. Shortly after Doug's birth they relocated to Prince Albert, where Ray lived for the remainder of his life.

Not content with just Doug, once they arrived in Prince Albert they tried again, which resulted in the birth of daughter Janet Sharlene Griffin (Sharlene) in 1964.

Ray was a very hard worker, holding down a full-time job in Prince Albert while driving into Saskatoon weekly to complete his degree in Education. He also worked part time with the Canadian Forces reserves.

He loved canoeing the lakes and rivers of Northern Saskatchewan – just ask any of the men and women who accompanied him on these legendary (and occasionally harrowing) adventures if you would like to hear stories. He spent many years involved with 20th Golden Hawks Cubs, Scouts and Venturers as Scoutmaster. He was incredibly generous with his time and energy, involved with countless causes including helping start and manage homeless shelters, helping those fleeing persecution to find a home in Prince Albert, and was always ready to lend a hand to those in need. He was a life-long and active member of Calvary United Church.

Ray was predeceased by his mother Laura Mabel (nee Brown) Griffin (1910–1986), his brother Murray Douglas Griffin (1943–2002) and his father Donald Charles Griffin (1909–2005).

Ray leaves to mourn and will be very much missed by his wife Janet Griffin, his daughter Sharlene (Don) Driedger and his son Doug (Jorge Rosas-Gracida) Griffin. He was the proud grandfather of two grandchildren Tracey and Erika. Ray is survived by his sister Barb (Lorne) Koroluk, his brother Grant (Carol) Griffin, his sister Jean (Jerry) Charbonneau and his brother Graeme (Donna) Griffin.

**ELAINE LA MARCHE****October 2, 1923 – June 26, 2019**

Age 95, of Elrose SK, Elaine died unexpectedly on June 26, 2019, in Saskatoon, SK. She was born on October 2, 1923, to Lee and Lillias Bird near Wilcox, SK. Shortly after Elaine's arrival the family moved to a farm in the Carruthers, SK district. Elaine attended Normal School in Saskatoon and went on to teach school in several rural Saskatchewan locations. She married Ed La Marche on September 29, 1947 and they had three children, Muriel, Lucille, and Phyllis.

She had an avid interest in learning and felt a day was not complete without learning something new. Until her eyesight got too weak, she always had several different handcrafts on the go from embroidery to crocheting. She was very active in The United Church of Canada at local, presbytery and provincial levels for many years. She was a life member of the WMS and a charter member of the UCW. She contributed greatly to the History Book "Celebrating 55 Years

of UCW in Saskatchewan". She was active in the Legion Auxiliary as long as it existed at the local branch.

Elaine is survived by her daughter, Phyllis Robinson, grandchildren Ed La Marche, Sarah Latondress, Russel Gustafson, Shelley Gustafson, great-grandchildren, sisters-in-law Hazel Sanders and Ann (Bill) Zaporozen, nieces, nephews, and cousins. Elaine was predeceased by her husband, Ed La Marche, her two oldest daughters, Muriel Gustafson and Lucille Clark and her brother, Keith Bird.

**MARGUERITE ALICE DOUGHERTY****April 9, 1935 – July 25, 2019**

Marguerite Alice Dougherty, aged 84 years of Moose Jaw, SK and formerly of the Rowletta and Mortlach districts, passed away peacefully at Providence Place on Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Marguerite was born April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1935 to Lilly and Philip Gerris. Marguerite married the love of her life, Gordon, on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1953. Family was very important to Marguerite and she loved their farm life, travelling, and her church choirs. She was a member of Moose Jaw Presbytery. Marguerite enjoyed curling and was a fiery curling competitor. Mom was an avid sports cheerleader for her husband, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Marguerite and Gordon were very active in their beloved communities of Rowletta and Mortlach, and they spent many happy years in California and Arizona meeting and entertaining new and old friends.

Marguerite was predeceased by her husband, Gordon and daughter, Judy, and is lovingly survived by her son, Michael (Nancy) Dougherty; grandsons, Nolan and Riley (Ashley); great-grandchildren: Logan, Emma and Reid Dougherty; Judy's family: son-in-law, Doug Sullivan, grandson, Kurtis Dunlop, and great-grandson, Xander Dunlop; son, Gary (Brenda) Dougherty; granddaughter, Regan (Matthew) Bell; great-grandsons, Joel and Caleb Bell;

grandson, Jared (Nicole); great-grandchildren, Evelyn and Arthur Dougherty; daughter, Marilyn (Kevin) Pavier; granddaughter, Amanda (Colby) Munshaw; great-grandchildren: Ross, Chloe and Emerick Munshaw; grandson, Desmond (Kaylee); great-grandsons, Beckett and Rowan Pavier; sister, Jean (Don) Hoeft.

### **IRENE GIBSON**

**August 2, 1919**



We are sad to announce the passing of Mom, Irene, at the age of 94 on August 2, 2019 at the Ross Payant Nursing Home, Assiniboia. Predeceased by brother, Kenneth Campbell in 1933, mother, Julia Campbell in 1959, father, Gordon Campbell in 1977, husband, James "Jim" Gibson on May 13, 2009, and brother Leo Campbell in 2018, Irene is survived by son, Ken (Janet) Gibson, granddaughter, Candice (Bob) Christie and great grandchildren Chanelle (Devon) and Ethan Christie, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Irene was a member of Moose Jaw Presbytery.

### **LAWRENCE MANLEY JOHN EDWARDS**

**November 12, 1934 – August 17, 2019**

LAWRENCE MANLEY JOHN EDWARDS, born November 12, 1934, died peacefully on Saturday, August 17, 2019 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Wynne was at his side, just as she had been since they first met almost 64 years earlier at Queen's University in Kingston, when she was 17. Theirs was a glorious affair.

Larry was born in Calgary, Alberta to Manley, a District Court Judge, and Miriam (Oatey), a librarian. His birth was followed by Kathleen (Bud Phillips) and Douglas (deceased). Larry was a student, a pianist, a singer, an athlete - a provincial record holder in track and a member of the Queen's Golden Gaels football team. Recruited, as so many westerners were, by Padre Laverty to attend Queen's, it was there, in his final year of a B.A., that Larry was introduced by his good friend Terry Whyte, to Terry's sister Wynne, a freshman. They were married two years later, on December 21, 1957 (the longest night of the year, as Larry would often say with a twinkle) in Wynne's family home in Peterborough, Ontario. It was a decision made on the spur of the moment, as most all of Larry's were. Larry was then in flight-school with the Royal Canadian Air Force, where Wynne joined him 5 months later, after finishing her degree. Having earned his "wings" as a bomber pilot, Larry returned to his true calling, which was "service" of a different sort. In the fall of 1960, Larry and Wynne returned to Queen's with their one-year old son Mark. Thus began Larry's second great love affair, with Christian theology and his ministry within the United Church of Canada.

From Kingston, Larry and family, which now included son Paul, went from a summer charge in Elginburg, Ontario to congregations in Big Valley and Pincher Creek, Alberta, West Vancouver, BC, Swift Current, Saskatchewan (where third son Dan was born), a sabbatical in Scotland, then Winnipeg, Manitoba, and, finally, Regina, Saskatchewan - in his own words, "a prairie preacher". And a preacher he was - of the barnstorming tradition, leavened with a passion for the literature of theology. In that long journey, Larry celebrated thousands of services of worship, joining couples in marriage, honouring lives lived, and welcoming children

into the world and young adults into the church. In every single one of those sacraments, he thrilled to the deep mystery of God and the human experience. Larry was passionate. His voice boomed, his gowned arms pierced space, he paced and prowled his stage, unconstrained by the pulpit. He was stormy - thunder and lightning and the calm that follows - he was challenging, he was gentle, he was loving, he was ever hopeful. He taught, he led, he embraced, he celebrated. Few who met Larry would ever forget. As Wynne said of him the day after he died: "He was always outrageous".

Larry is survived by his wife Wynne (Whyte), his sons Mark (Elizabeth Goldsmith), Paul (Anne MacKay) and Dan (Danielle Bremaud), his sister Kathleen (Bud Phillips), eight grandchildren (Lauren, Maddie, Libby, Beth, Evan, Wynn, Adam and Vincent) and two great-grandchildren (Theo and Cameron).

### **WILLIAM "BILL" GILMER**

**November 18, 1923 – September 16, 2019**



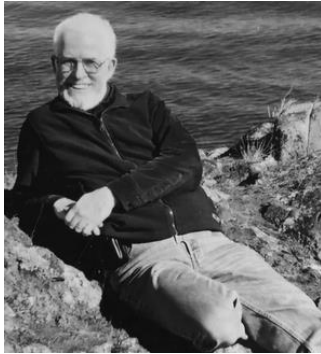
Rev. William (Bill) Ernest Gilmer, 95, of Saskatoon, SK, passed away peacefully on September 16, 2019 in Saskatoon, SK. Bill was born on November 18, 1923 in Woodrow SK. He left the farm to attend the University of Saskatchewan and Oberlin College, obtaining degrees in Agriculture and Divinity. In 1948 he married his sweetheart Dorothy Clarke. Over the next 71 years they lived in Ceylon, Oberlin (Ohio), Wilkie, Assiniboia, Melfort, Swift Current, Thode and Saskatoon. Bill was ordained in The United Church of Canada in 1951, and served until 1995, meeting a significant percentage of the population of

Saskatchewan. Steeped in the social gospel, Bill combined a gentle pastoral presence with a passion for social justice. Bill told a great joke and was known for his laugh. He had a love of gardening, sailing, euchre and the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

Bill was predeceased by parents John and Lily, sisters Verna, Margaret and Dorothy and grandson Peter Poorman. Left to cherish Bill's memory are his loving wife Dorothy, children Susan (Dave), Jack (Julie) and Peter (Pearl), grandchildren Sarah (Trevor), Alice (Andrew), Louise (Jim), Anna, and great-grandchildren Ellis, Malcom and Torin.

**ROBERT 'BOB' ARMSTRONG**

**April 14, 1943 – October 4, 2019**



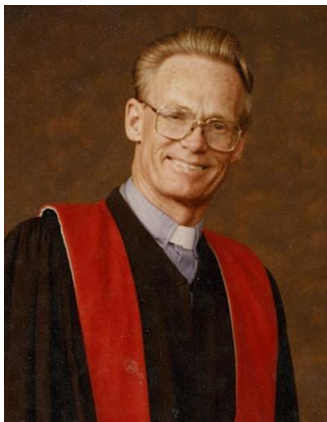
Gratitude and grief are woven together as we share the news of Bob's death on October 4, 2019. We are so thankful for the ways he shared life's journey with us but we grieve the loss of his love and light in our lives.

Bob was born on April 14, 1943 in Hamilton, ON and moved to Vancouver to attend UBC. His life's work as a Certified Professional Accountant led him to Lethbridge, Yorkton and Regina, followed by retirement in Southey.

Bob was predeceased by his parents Lillian Norman and Wm. Armstrong, and his step-daughter Ashley Kyle-Tyndale. Cherishing his memory are his wife Danna; daughter Meredith (Dave) Courneyea; son Colin Armstrong (Ralph De Mario); step-son Alan Kyle; step-son-in-law Daymion (Nicole) Tyndale; his two precious granddaughters, Rebecca Courneyea and Madison Tyndale; his sister Ruth Brandon and her children; sister-in-law Kari (Carl) Wlock; nieces Rhonda Wlock and Karla Wlock (Blaine); and nephew Dan (Jill) Wlock and family.

**RONALD HARVEY SUTTON**

**December 9, 2019**



Reverend Ronald Harvey Sutton passed away Monday, December 9, 2019 with his family by his side and Psalm 23 guiding his way to Heaven. Ron suffered from Alzheimer's in his last years and was well cared for and loved by at the Regina Lutheran Home. He was predeceased by his sister Shirley, son Keith, father Lorne, and mother Hilda.

Ron served as a Minister in The United Church of Canada for forty one years, as a Chaplin in the Canadian Armed Forces for nine years and later the Royal Canadian Legion. He was a life member of the Masons and a proud member of the Shriners, active in the United Church Summer Camps, Saskatchewan Roughrider Pep Band and the Sons of Scotland.

Ron's memory will forever be cherished by his loving family wife Mary; siblings Stella, Vivian (Gordon), Victor and Doreen, sons Ivan, Dave (Lori), Paul (Donna), Doug; daughters Cathy, Joy, Colleen, Leah (Jason); 14 grandchildren; and 20 great grandchildren.

**COLIN 'DALE' WIGGINS**

**December 20, 2019**

Colin 'Dale' Wiggins passed away on December 20, 2019 at the age of 83. Dale was predeceased by his parents Charles and Lois Wiggins; brother Keith Wiggins and daughter-in-law Deborah Wiggins. He leaves to mourn his wife of 61 years Sheanid Wiggins; sons Warren (Vernna), Kevin (Jill), Jody, and Todd; grandchildren Randi (Adam)

Maurer, Charli (Justin) Churko, Nathan (Jessica Fisher) Wiggins, and Alyssa (Brandon Smith) Wiggins; great-grandchildren Lane, Dalis and Payton Maurer, Elise and Rhett Churko and Grayson Smith; sister Darlene (Paul) Wicklund, sister-in-law Marlene (Randy) Hall, brother-in-law Darwin (Carol) Pringle, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Dale served The United Church of Canada in many roles within Saskatchewan Conference. He was President of Conference, Saskatchewan Conference Lay Representative to General Council Executive, Vice-Convenor and Convenor of the Division of Finance and Administration, the Convenor of the (Conference) Rural Life Committee, Treasurer of Twin Valleys Presbytery, and Pastoral Relations roles for both Conference and Presbytery.

### **BRIAN AST**

**February 25, 2020**



A remarkable man is gone, dying unexpectedly on February 25, 2020. Brian loved deeply, knew joy and grief, was courageous, curious and wise. A deeply spiritual person, he lived his faith every day, seeing the good in everyone. He was committed to a life of service with a genuine interest in people and helping those in need. Brian followed the adage, “be certain that you do not die without doing something wonderful for humanity.” Brian and Lou’s home was warm and inviting, full of laughter, good food and spirited conversation. With his generosity, honesty and humour, he was able to make people feel comfortable in any situation.

Brian loved nature and the Saskatchewan landscape, taking comfort in the prairie sky, and playfully traveling the back roads from the Big Muddy to the Churchill River. He loved folk and roots music, camping, canoeing, hiking, craft beer, books, friends, and his church and community. He was especially proud of and devoted to his grandchildren.

Born in 1951, Brian grew up in Fillmore, Saskatchewan, living and working in Regina, Toronto, Coronach and Saskatoon. His work was as diverse as his friendships, from surveyor, to locomotive engineer, to assistant power plant operator. Mid-career, he answered God’s call, and after 10 years of part-time school and full-time work, he earned a Masters of Divinity from St. Andrew’s College. Retired from his United Church ministry, having served in Stoughton, Delisle/Vanscoy and at St. Thomas Wesley in Saskatoon, he was an “irreverent reverend” with a twinkle in his eye, but little patience for pretention or hypocrisy. He was an honest, frank and fiery voice for compassion, social justice, and helping to make life better for all people.

Brian leaves his wife and beloved partner of 46 years Mary Lou, his treasured children Heather Carruthers (Nathan), Joel Liast (Melanie), Keith Ast (Jillian), and his adored grandchildren Anna and Niall Carruthers and Alora Liast. He will be dearly missed by sisters and brothers Dianne Mondry, Rick Ast (Gillian McCreary), Donna Kuntz (Robert), Judy Worden (Terry Malloy), Skip Watson, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He was predeceased by his parents and sister-in-law Connie Watson.



**SHARON MARGARET JEEVES**

**September 10, 1951 - March 1, 2020**



Sadly, the family of Sharon Margaret Jeeves of Wolseley announces her death on March 1, 2020 at Broadview Palliative Care Centre after a brave fight with multiple cancers.

She is remembered lovingly by her husband, Jim; their son Kevin and his wife Natasha; sisters Jean Mortin of Saskatoon and Linda Ferguson of Plymouth, Minnesota; mothers-in-law Ruth Jeeves of Grenfell and Jean Ward of Hudson Bay; aunt Peg Mortin of Regina; sisters-in-law Isabel Mortin Flemons of Calgary, Shelly Ward of Preeceville and Vicki (Leonard)

Piwtorak and Thelma (Barry) Onyskiw of Hudson Bay; and by numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents, Helen and Ernie Mortin, brother David, father-in-law Ron Jeeves and brothers-in-law Ed Jeeves and Jim Ward.

Sharon was born on September 10, 1951 and grew up in Dilke and Bethune, a sociable child who loved to brush her father's curly hair and enjoyed visiting the farm of Aunt Peg and Uncle Jack Mortin. Music was vital to her; almost from babyhood, she sang: on her father's knee, in school concerts, in United Church choirs in Dilke and Bethune, with the Hetherington Singers, and at folk singing venues in Regina. After high school in Lumsden, she studied at Reliance Business College in Regina and worked at Credit Union Centre and several restaurants there. She met Jim when her car needed mechanical help, and they were married on October 6, 1979. They worked in Regina until Jim's parents retired in 1989 and they took over the family farm near Wolseley. There they raised their son Kevin.

Sharon found work in Wolseley that she loved: first, in a day care centre she started and ran for a year and a half, and then as librarian for 21 years of the local branch of Southeast Regional Library. With a lifelong love of reading behind her, she welcomed children to the library, knew the kinds of books each reader wanted, and introduced classes, authors, a summer reading program and opportunities such as star-gazing and a teddy bear tea. She was also closely involved with Wolseley United Church, singing in the choir for several years and serving on the church board even longer, and together with Jim was active in the Wolseley branch of the Royal Canadian Legion.

She had retired from the library just months before she was diagnosed with rapidly-spreading cancer. She entered Broadview Union Hospital Palliative Care Centre on January 30, and her family is grateful to the staff who helped her through many difficult times.

**DOROTHY MYRTLE MORROW**

**October 27, 1927 - March 18, 2020**

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Dorothy Myrtle Morrow on March 18, 2020 at 92 years of age. Dorothy was born October 27, 1927 to Archie and Violet McDonald at their home farm in the Silver Stream District, SK. She and her two older brothers, Elton and John, were raised during the depression.



Dorothy went to Ditton Park School for grades 1-10 travelling by bicycle, riding or driving a horse. She completed grades 11 and 12 at the Tisdale High School. Dorothy was the first child in her district to attend university, graduating from the College of Pharmacy, University of Saskatchewan in 1950. She always felt fortunate that her parents were able to afford to send her to university and encouraged her in her career. Her apprenticeship was done at drug stores in Tisdale and Melfort. In 1969, Dorothy returned to her pharmacy career working at Nipawin Pharmacy, Nipawin Union Hospital, Davis Rexall Drugs and Harpers Pharmacy, retiring in 1996. She thoroughly enjoyed her career as a pharmacist. Through it, she met a host of people in the Nipawin District who she always love to stop and visit with. She was always keen to encourage youth, particularly young women, to pursue more education and she volunteered to improve the school system where she could.

Dorothy married Allen Morrow in 1950. They were blessed with five children. She was always the happiest when her family was together and the larger her family became the brighter her eyes shone. In 1966 the family moved to a farm by the "Old Nipawin Bridge" where many good memories were made by family and countless friends. The family's dogs, cats and horses, particularly the Appaloosa's, gave her much joy. After Al's death in 1969, Dorothy chose to remain on the farm providing for her children with strength, courage, wisdom and an unending love. In the fall of 2007, Dorothy moved into a condo in Nipawin. She missed seeing the deer in the yard (though they ate from the fruit trees in her orchard), the abundance of wild flowers, hearing the wind in the trees and the peace of living in the country. While living at the condo her health care increasingly required assistance from Nipawin Home Care. She enjoyed the friendships she made with the Home Care workers who provided care and brightened her days with their conversation. March 2019 Dorothy moved to Smeaton Care Home residing there until she went into the Nipawin Hospital late January 2020.

In 1970, Dorothy renewed a friendship with Bob Johnston from Tisdale. They put on countless miles travelling between Nipawin and Tisdale to visit on another for the next 32 years. They shared in the joys of grand parenting providing wisdom, laughs and memoires galore.

The Nipawin United Church was a huge part of Dorothy's life. She served in a wide variety of roles including representing the church regionally and provincially. Her faith in God was deep, showing in her concern for people throughout the world and giving her comfort during challenging times. She served on the Nipawin Credit Union Board of Directors and the Nipawin School Division Board. Those whom she worked with appreciated her patience and understanding, her frank and open concern for children, her good common sense and her forth right approach to problems. As her health failed and she became more confined, she missed trips to the grocery store and post office where she had always enjoyed visiting with a wide range of folks. She had an innate ability to show people she cared as they told her about themselves, their friends, family and career or discussed local and worldly issues.

Dorothy was predeceased by her husband Al in 1969, her daughter Janice in 1976, her parents, brothers, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

She leaves to live on for her, her children Archie Morrow (Bev), Sandra Pratt (John Wach), Lyle Morrow (Teresa) and Connie Morrow; many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; son-in-law Bob Herman; Bob Johnston's sister Donnie Ross and many nieces and nephews.

**JENNIFER HOPE SIGURDSON**

**December 17, 1975 – April 8, 2020**



SIGURDSON, Jennifer Hope, Age 44 passed away on April 8, 2020 in Regina, Saskatchewan. Jennifer was born December 17, 1975, Regina, Saskatchewan to her loving parents Janet Sigurdson (Garry) and Alvin Musqua (Freda). She is survived by her beautiful daughter Brooklyn Waddington, her Grandparent Inez Deiter, her special Aunt & Uncle Rita Grace and Delmer Quewezance, her special friend David Malone, her siblings Walter Deiter (Jessica), Roberta Onway (Bright), Melvin Musqua, Alvin Musqua Jr (Jarrin), Garrison Sigurdson (Samantha), Darren Musqua (Jaylene), Dustin Musqua, Gavin Sigurdson, Samantha Musqua (Luke), Amber Musqua (Rob), her special Sister &

Brother Freddie Morris and Gordie Procyk. Jennifer has many Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Nieces, Nephews and Friends that she loved very much.

Jennifer is a Mother, Daughter, Aunt, Niece, Cousin and a Friend of many who had the privilege to meet her. She took pride in being a Mother, she always ensured her daughter was taken care of, her daughter was her pride and joy. When she walked in the room her laughter and beautiful smile lit up the room. Jennifer was hard working, she was always determined to learn, and she loved helping people. Jennifer loved travelling, loved animals, fishing, going to concerts, and spending time with family and friends. Jennifer had a passion for her cars, she loved Mustangs. Jennifer is loved very much and will be missed by everyone who knew her.

**ALICE RUTH MCFARLANE**

**December 18, 1935 - April 18, 2020**



Alice Ruth McFarlane, of Moosomin, beloved wife of the late John McFarlane, loving mother of Holly, Bruce and Steven and much loved grandma and great grandma, passed away at the Southeast Integrated Care Centre, Long Term Care, Moosomin on Saturday, April 18th, 2020 at the age of 84 years.

Alice Ruth (Morton) McFarlane was born in North Chili, New York to Nelson and Helen Morton. She lived a full life reaching out for newer, richer, deeper, life-changing experiences. Her life was rich with personal growth, always pushing her boundaries mentally, spirituality, and intellectually for the betterment of herself, her family and the world. Alice and her life partner William "John" McFarlane, (1934 to 2009) traveled across Canada raising their family, living, working and providing service to dozens of communities.

Much of Alice's life focused on her family, her daughter Holly (Layne), and her sons Bruce (Susan) and Steve (predeceased by Marlene), her ten grand children; Leon (Brienne), Joy (Sean), Darcy (Sonia), Kent (Roslyn), Robert, Hanah (Evan), Naomi (Alex), Connor, Gabriel, and Doran (Brae) and five great grand children; Riley, Tabatha, Bella, Hunter and Quinn.

She also leaves behind three siblings; Ray Morton, (Rosemary), Mary Lou Bates, Fred Morton (Virginia) and her sister-in-law Betty Peterson. She was predeceased by her brother Al

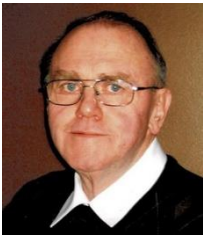
Morton. She will also be remembered by John's brother and sisters; Malcolm McFarlane (Valda), Donna Kvash (Victor), Joan Shykula (Steve), Willa Zufelt (Dick), Ellen Walsh (Gary), Sharon Smith (Bill).

Alice and John devoted their lives to providing service to isolated northern communities. From Pikangikum to South Indian Lake to Rainy River/Stratton and all the other communities that John was the minister for, Alice was his partner making coffee for church and cakes for weddings, teaching Sunday school and singing classes, helping with church functions, and playing music. Where ever they moved to, her life was filled with gardening, cooking, reading, singing and traveling. One of their last work projects was with the All Native Circle Conference and Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre. Alice's contribution was acknowledged at an honorary elder ceremony at the Dr. Jessie Centre. After retiring to Killarney they moved to Moosomin to be close to family.

Alice still had dozens of ongoing projects that indicate how full her life was. She was making plans to visit her eastern family this summer, was in the process of building photo albums of her children's lives, busy visiting residents at the long term care centre and many other passions that filled her always busy life. She demonstrated her love with food and shared that food generously with family and friends. She was very devoted to remembering birthdays and she will be missed again by all of us especially on our next birthday when that card from Mom, Sister, Aunt, Grandma, and GG doesn't arrive.

### JOHN YEO

**August 14, 1949 – April 18, 2020**



It is with heavy hearts the family of John Yeo of Whitewood, Saskatchewan announces his passing on Saturday, April 18, 2020, after a battle with kidney disease. A celebration of John's life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Kidney Foundation of Canada or the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan.

### MILDRED ANNE MORRISON

**1933 – 2020**



It is with sadness that the family announce the death of Mildred Morrison occurred with family by her side on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at her residence in McClure Place in Saskatoon. Following a family time of remembrance and visitation cremation will take place. Planning is underway for a Memorial Service to be held at McClure United Church with interment following in the family plot at Woodlawn Cemetery. Once the date has been established it will be published along **with a full obituary. In lieu** of flowers, for those so wishing memorial donation may be made to McClure Place Foundation (1825 McKercher Dr. Saskatoon, SK S7H 5N5), the Canadian Cancer Society, or a charity of choice. Condolences may be left for the family at [www.saskatoonfuneralhome.com](http://www.saskatoonfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Saskatoon Funeral Home 306-244-5577.

**REV. ROSELIS (ROSE) ELISABETH WARD****January 22, 1930 – April 25, 2020 (age 90)**

Rose was born January 22, 1930 in Herne, Westphalia, Germany. Her father Max Wachholz, was a police officer. Her mother Auguste (nee Fuchs) was a registered nurse. By 1938 Rose's dad had become a Germany Army officer, as a series of rapid moves across Germany followed. Dad was almost always away on duty. After 1943, air raids became a continual reality. At mid-year 1943, the family was bombed out. Eventually Rose and her mom sought shelter with her mom's widowed mother in Halle Germany, a city which was occupied by the Russian Army soon after WWII ended in May 1945. The Russian occupation was brutal. Rose's little family stood at the brink of starvation. When both her mom and grandmother died, Rose managed alone to escape to West Germany. She arrived at a refugee Centre in Stuttgart, where social service agencies placed her as a live-in 'nanny' in a large, loving Christian family in nearby Schorndorf. Her employer had, before the Nazi era (1933-1945) worked as a Christian educator. Rose was determined to follow in her footsteps. Rose attended a Lutheran normal school (teacher's college), then served ten years as a parish assistant in Stuttgart. In 1965, Rose sought and won a World Council of Churches scholarship to study theology in North America. She was sent to Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania. There a year later she met a younger ministry student, George Ward. After their marriage and graduation together, they immigrated to Ontario, where George served two congregations and Rose occasionally supplied a German-speaking congregation in nearby Hamilton. After further study at McMaster University, George joined the Canadian Armed Forces Chaplain Service. Over the next 13 years of military postings it took the whole family through most provinces. George left the army in 1987, the family moved through four more prairie communities, including eight years service in Unity (1987-1995). Rose (ordained by the United Church of Canada in May 1987), served alongside George in this area's sprawling Unity - Meridian Pastoral Charge. Rose was always a more interesting preacher than I, George admits! Rose followed George through three more pastoral charges from 1995-2009, Rose filled in for up to a year in vacant pulpits, in areas George was servicing. Finally the two returned to Unity at the urging of son Chris and daughter-in-law Tammy. In January 2016, her health failing, Rose moved to Unity Long Term Care. She died there in her sleep early Saturday, April 25, 2020.

Rose was predeceased by her parents in Germany, Max and Auguste Wachholz, unofficial foster parents, Kurt and Lore Volz of Stuttgart, son Richard (Ricky) who died in Calgary in 2002. Left to mourn her is her husband George of Unity, son Chris Ward (Tammy) of Unity and her grandchildren Andrew Ward (Saskatoon), Eva Ward (Edmonton) and Thomas Ward (Windsor, Ontario); also her "foster siblings" in Germany Peter Volz, Ursula Frank, Dorothy Seitz and Hans-Martin Volz.

**ROGER ARGUE****March 3, 1937 – April 28, 2020**

It is with sadness the family of Roger Earl Argue report his passing on April 28, 2020. Roger is survived by his wife of 59 years Carolyn (Powell), his daughter Dr. Connie Argue and son Earl Argue, his grandson Andrew Argue and granddaughter Nicole (Tristan) Schmegelsky and great-grandson Grayson Schmegelsky. Roger was predeceased by his parents Earl and Madelyn and his sister Wanda (Chuck) Magrath, as well as brothers-in-law Leigh Powell, Lyle Powell, Don Powell and Gordon Litzenberger and nephew Kent Barber. He leaves to treasure

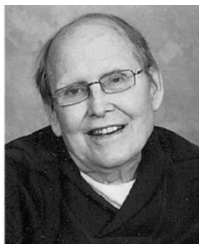
his memory his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Gloria Powell, Janice and Gerald Barber, Myrna Litzenberger, Mavis and Stuart Baines, Sandra Powell, and Vivian and Michael Stacey. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Roger attended school in Wilcox and Rouleau. He entered the Canadian Navy and proudly served his country during the Cold War. After leaving the Navy he returned to Rouleau to farm with his father. He and his family farmed for 30 years. He retired to Good Spirit Acres in 2002. Roger was an avid curler and the family were proud of his many accomplishments. In his retirement Roger turned his attention to golf. He achieved both an eight-ender in curling and a hole-in-one playing golf.

Roger will be missed by his family and friends.

### **JAMES FREDERIC (ERIC) INGHAM**

**February 26, 1943 – June 19, 2020**



The family is saddened to announce Eric's passing at Parkside Extendicare on Friday, June 19, 2020 at the age of 77 years. We feel reassured that now he is free from his ailments and bondage to his wheelchair. Eric was predeceased by his parents Jason and Francis Ingham; brother Don Ingham and father-in-law William Stenko. Eric is survived by his loving wife of 40 years Dianna; children Julia Ingham (Curtis Petersen) and Douglas Ingham; cherished grandchildren Lucas, Maya and Lindsay; as well as his sister Joan Henry (Walter) and his mother-in-law Irene Stenko. Eric was born on February 26, 1943 in Montreal, Quebec, where he lived his early years. The family moved to Toronto in 1954. He achieved three University Degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Theology and Bachelor of Education. He moved to Saskatchewan in the early 1970s, where he worked as a United Church Minister in Carrot River and later at Wascana United in Regina. After receiving his education degree, he began teaching in Regina Public Schools as a French Itinerant. He retired from teaching in 2002. During his teaching career, Eric began acting in *The Trial of Louis Riel* and Regina Little Theatre productions. His daughter and granddaughters share his love of music, arts, and drama. Eric loved all sports. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing it. He watched and followed many sports, especially Rider games. Many times, his son and grandson would review the games and players. He was well read and knowledgeable in many different subjects. Trivial Pursuit was one of the family games often played. He was always the first one chosen for a team. Chess was another of his favorite games. He was very proud that his son and grandson enjoyed the same interest, challenging him every weekend. Eric was very supportive of his family, cared very much for them and wanted to help them out. He appreciated all their visit, phone calls and treats left for him. Everyone remembers how hospitable he was. He loved having company and would always offer them a drink. He had a very vibrant personality, with a bold, enlightening voice. He liked to have a good time! On April 17, 2008, Eric suffered a major cardiac event that would change his life forever. As his health declined, he kept himself busy with watching TV, reading, solving Sudoku and listening to his favorite music artists and singing along to the songs. He looked forward to visits from his favorite dogs, Max and Ruby, of whom he bragged about to other residents.

**WILLIAM (BILL) ROBERT ADAMSON**

**July 11, 2020**



It is with sadness and hearts full of love that we announce the death of William Robert Adamson on July 11, 2020 in Kelowna, BC, at the age of 92. He will be remembered as a compassionate man with an inquiring mind, a determined will, a cheerful disposition and a gentle heart.

Bill is survived by children Bruce (Jocelyn), Shelley, Susan (Gary) and Michael, grandchildren and great grandchildren, sisters Joan and Marilyn (Dave), plus cousins, in-laws, nieces and nephews. Bill was predeceased by Louise, his loving partner for over 60 years, brother Alvin, and parents Joseph and Edith Adamson.

Bill was born in 1927 and grew up on a farm near Fairlight, SK. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan and a Bachelor of Divinity from St. Andrew's College in Saskatoon. He was ordained in the United Church in 1951 and later earned a Masters and a Doctorate from the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, CA as well as a Masters of Education from the University of Toronto. He was also awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from St. Stephen's College in Edmonton.

Bill was pleased to have variety in his career: 5 years as a rural pastor at Esterhazy; 5 years as a suburban pastor at Broadway, Regina; 3 ½ years at Naramata Educational Centre in the Okanagan; 5 ½ years at the National Office of the United Church (Leadership Development) in Toronto; and 20 years on the faculty of St. Andrew's College, the last 7 ½ as President. He loved the Church on the Prairies and in 1975 helped initiate the internship program for ministers in AB, SK and MB.

In the Courts of the Church, Bill served a term as President of SK Conference, as well as on a variety of national, conference and presbytery committees. He wrote 3 books regarding education in the Church. He was also involved with inner city projects and social action efforts including 32 years as an active member of the Inter-Church Uranium Committee.

Bill was a true gentleman. His playful and warm nature endeared him to many. He was a loving father and devoted husband to his beloved Louise whom he met at university and married in 1951. They had many adventures camping across Canada with their children, regularly visiting their family farms and relatives, and then traveling abroad in their later years. Bill's heart was broken when Louise died of Parkinson's in 2012. They are united once again.

**Congregations/Pastoral Charges that have ceased worshipping**

Springside congregation of the Theodore, Springside Pastoral Charge.

Livelong congregation of the Turtle River Parish (SM)

Rouleau and Lang/Milestone congregation of the Soo Line Pastoral Charge

Kelfield and Ruthida congregations of Springwater Pastoral Charge

Clavet Pastoral Charge

Birch Hills Pastoral Charge

Earl Grey Pastoral Charge

Edgeley Pastoral Charge

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