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Samuel Gordon Jardine

December 11, 1934 – August 22, 2021



Samuel “Gordon” Jardine late of Fort Qu’Appelle, Saskatchewan died peacefully on Sunday August 22, 2021. Gordon is survived by his wife of 65 years Hazel; his children Bonnie (Hugh McLellan), Ted, John (Jacinto Elais), Donna (Gabriela Salazar), and Naomi (Doug Hadders); his grandchildren Stephen (Mizcha Fourie) McLellan, Kate (Calvin) Grant, and Marshall Jardine, and his great-grandchildren Rosalyn & Justin Grant.

Born in Spearhill, Manitoba, Gordon was the fifth of seven children born to Donald Jardine and Jean Mason Jardine. He attended a one room school house up to age 16 then left home to finish high school and attend university in Winnipeg. He started study as a physicist but soon discovered that his calling was the ministry. He became ordained as a United Church minister in 1956 and served charges in Beardmore, Ontario, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Winnipeg, Manitoba and Fort Qu’Appelle, Saskatchewan before he retired.

Gordon was a beautiful soul, fascinated by so many things in life, he loved to sit outside and immerse himself in nature - he’d say “oh, beautiful beautiful” while watching a sunset, and he made little wooden houses with doorways for the gopher holes in the yard.

He was a gifted carpenter and made so many beautiful pieces of furniture. Gordon could fix anything and his workshop was a sight to behold.

Passionate about social issues Gordon worked hard to stand up for those who were oppressed, fostering inclusivity and connection between all people. Through his work as a minister he helped people through all of life’s joys, traumas and griefs.

He had a wonderful warm sense of humour - he was Hazel’s biggest fan, boy she could make him laugh. He leaves us the legacy of his gentle wisdom, compassion and thoughtfulness, his creativity, his love of whimsy, and his appreciation for all the small glorious moments in life. While we miss him terribly, we know he will always be near us with his support and love.

A memorial will be planned at a future date. To honour Gordon’s memory we ask you to offer an act of kindness for someone who is struggling or in pain.

“We all love you dad, more than words can say.”

Arrangements were entrusted to Speers Funeral Services.