Royds, William John “Bill”

April 1, 2019

William John “Bill” Royds

William John “Bill” Royds, aged 93 years of Rouleau, SK passed away on Sunday, October 20th, 2019. Bill was born July 12th, 1926 in Moose Jaw, SK. He received his schooling in Moose Jaw and served in the Armoured Corps, Canadian Army WWII. While living in Moose Jaw, he was employed by Swifts, CPR, Skingles Trucking, and Montgomery Bros. Bill was a member of St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church. He served on the Vestry and Building Committee, and was a member of the Couples Club and coached minor hockey teams. On May 13th, 1950, Bill married Yvonne Haig of Rouleau, SK. They lived in Moose Jaw until 1965 when the Royds family moved to Saskatoon, where Bill was employed by S.E. Gould & Co Beauty and Barber Supply. He later became a partner/owner of Gould Billiards. He was a member of the Saskatoon B.P.O. Elks #388. Ill health forced Bill to retire in 1983. He purchased a home in Rouleau in 1984 and permanently moved to Rouleau in 1987. Bill was a Director and Chairman of the Rouleau Housing Authority Committee (serving from 1989-1999), member of Rouleau Legion Branch #44, and Senior Citizens Association. He will be remembered for his devotion to

his wife and family, his zest for life, his love of travelling, and his many acts of kindness. He was predeceased by his parents, Mary and Tom Royds; sister, Elizabeth Ann; and wife, Yvonne on February 4th, 2004. Bill is survived by his daughter, **Shirley Ann**; grandson, Brad (Lorrie); granddaughter, Jody (Wade); great-grandsons, Carson and Cole Clarke; and god-daughter, Jill Kennedy (Alex) Corry of Toronto, ON. **The Funeral Service will be held on Friday, October 25th, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in Moose Jaw Funeral Home.** Interment will take place in Rouleau Cemetery at a later date. Flowers are gratefully declined. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Bill's name may be made to Rouleau First Responders c/o Town of Rouleau, Rouleau, SK S0G 4H0. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Michelle Surtees, Funeral Director 306-693-4550.

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Joan Clarke on October 22, 2019 at 10:00 am

We were sad to hear of Bill's passing – he has been a prominent Rouleau resident since 1987. He was a very friendly man, always smiling and when you met him on the street, the ensuing conversation, in his delightful raspy voice, pretty much made your day! He will be missed by our Community, as well as the Royd's
family. Again, our sincere sympathy to you all.

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Shawn & Kelly Duncan on October 23, 2019 at 3:19 pm

We are so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. He was a kind, always smiling man who loved to tell stories and hear them

back in return.

We will miss him at coffee and seeing him around town.

Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.

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