Schaffer, Jacob (Jake) James

December 29, 2021

Jacob (Jake) James Schaffer

Jacob (Jake) James Schaffer, born April 7th, 1936 to Jacob and Ida (Zimmerman) Schaffer of Central Butte, SK passed away peacefully after a tough battle with Parkinson’s Disease at the age of 85 years. He was predeceased by his parents; brothers Ernie and John; sisters: Frieda, Agnes, Alma, Elva and Ada; and son, Leslie. Jake is survived by his wife of 52 years, Joan; their children: Lindsey (Dianne), Mark (Donna), and Heather; grandchildren: Brandon (Rita), Rylan and Nate; sister, Josephine; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Born in Central Butte and raised on the farm near Kettlehut Lake, Jake attended Jefferson School and began farming early in life, learning the value of hard work and taking pride in the fruits of his labour. He married Joan Peterman in 1969 while growing the family with Lindsey, Leslie, Mark and Heather. Jake and family lived in a few locations before settling into his pride and joy farmyard he would call home for over 30 years, near the homestead where he was raised. What started as a barren hilltop was transformed into a beautiful farmyard built with that strong work ethic and a little help from his kids and a few neighbours.

Jake enjoyed anything outdoors – gardening, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, and standing for what felt like hours chatting with a neighbour on the side of the road. He also enjoyed playing card games, shooting pool and a social drink to go along with those activities. He also had a love for music, with Johnny Cash being one of his favourites, and occasionally pulled out the harmonica or guitar to play a tune.

In retirement, Jake and Joan settled into a house in Moose Jaw in the summer of 2013 and around this time he was diagnosed with Parkinson's. His strong will allowed him to remain in their house until early 2020 but the disease would affect his ability to walk on his own, forcing him to move into Extendicare. Here he endeared himself with the staff showing them his good nature and great sense of humour. At this time the Schaffer family would like to extend a thank you to all the staff at Extendicare, especially those who worked in the west wing where Jake resided.

A Graveside Service will be held at Sunset Cemetery in the spring of 2022. Flowers are gratefully declined. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Jake's name may be made to Parkinson Canada, 2103 Airport Dr #110B, Saskatoon, SK S7L 6W2. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. James Murdock, Funeral Director 306-693-4550.

1.

SYLVIA LINDQUIST on December 29, 2021 at 6:10 pm

Joan, Lindsey, Mark , Heather and families our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. Continue to share your memories with everyone. He will be missed by all who knew him.
Sylvia and Lorne Lindquist.

Reply

2.

Adele Williams on December 29, 2021 at 7:20 pm

I worked at Extendicare and was blessed to have met Jacob. I would always say there is nothing more beautiful than to see him smile up at you! He had a sparkle in his eye that made a regular day so much better!
My deepest condolences to all his family.

Reply

3.

Betty Whitney on December 30, 2021 at 10:51 am

Our sincere condolences He will be missed Our thoughts & prayers are with Joan & family. Ross & Betty Whitney

Reply

4.

Marilyn Forbes and Clem Millar on December 30, 2021 at 5:06 pm

With understanding Sympathy Joan and family. Our. thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Reply

5.

Larry Hein on December 30, 2021 at 5:39 pm

Auntie Joan, Lindsey, Mark, Heather and families; and Auntie Jo, my thoughts and prayers are also with you on this sad occasion. My sincerest condolences to all of you on thy passing of my Uncle Jake. I understand that he had amazing care right up to the end of his life. May he rest in peace, and may the heavenly angels guide him to his place of rest.

Reply

Heather Schaffer on January 5, 2022 at 1:16 pm

Thank u kindly ❤

Reply

6.

Ron, Rose Benson and familys on December 30, 2021 at 9:48 pm

Joan and familys, Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Reply

7.

Joyce Debert on December 31, 2021 at 9:13 am

To Joan and family
My deepest sympathy on the loss of Jake.
He will always be remembered as a kind and caring cousin.
Joyce Debert and family

Reply

8.

Stacy Gallant on January 1, 2022 at 1:40 am

Antie Joan, Lindsay, Mark and Heather,

Was so sad to hear about Uncle Jake. Always loved the time I got to spend on the farm, some of my greatest memories. My thoughts are with you guys. Uncle Jake will truly be missed. Love you guys.

Stacy Gallant and family

Reply

9.

Rob Watkinson on January 1, 2022 at 12:00 pm

Condolences on Jake’s passing. A long time neighbour and friend of the family

Reply

10.

Brenda Gallant on January 1, 2022 at 3:57 pm

My deepest condolences to Joan, Linsay, Mark and Heather. Jake was my brother – in – law for almost 53 years. I will miss him. My heart goes out to all of you.

Reply

11.

Brenda Jean Gallant on January 2, 2022 at 4:39 pm

Sending my love and deepest condolences to Joan, Lindsay, Mark, Heather and families. We will all miss Jake.

Reply

12.

Ron &Joy Kurz on January 2, 2022 at 8:50 pm

Our Sincere Condolences to you ,Joan and your Family !

Reply

13.

Sean Gallant on January 4, 2022 at 3:44 pm

Auntie Joan, Lindsey, Mark, and Heather. My sincere condolences to you. I hold onto numerous fond memories of uncle Jake, and he will be missed.

Sean Gallant and Family

Reply

14.

Heather Krislock. nee Munroe on January 4, 2022 at 8:03 pm

My Sincere Condolences to Joan and family. I have fond memories of Jake, he was a true gentleman, always so kind and considerate ! May he rest now in peace.

Reply

15.

Regina Hall on January 5, 2022 at 6:47 am

I had the pleasure to take care of Jake at Extendicare. He was a a remarkable man with a wonderful sense of humor. I will truly miss his devilish smile . My sympathies to all his family.

Reply

16.

Cindy Durell on January 7, 2022 at 12:07 pm

Thinking of you all. Was very sad to read this.

Reply