



Mike Plotnikoff

1929 - 2012

Mike Plotnikoff passed away suddenly at his home, on Friday, April 27, 2012. He was 82 years old.

Mike was born on July 21, 1929 in Castlegar, BC. It was here in Castlegar where he grew up, had all his schooling, raised a family and lived his whole life. Mike met his wife Paulie Markin in Grand Forks, BC and they were married on March 31, 1956. Mike and Paulie later welcomed two wonderful children, a son Ed and a daughter Carrie. Mike worked at the local sawmill, Celgar, as a dry kiln operator, as well as an oiler, until retirement in the early 90's. Throughout his life, Mike enjoyed various activities such as carpentry, gardening, fishing and watching his favorite hockey team, the Vancouver Canucks. He also enjoyed visiting different casinos and playing the lottery, he always thought that maybe one day he would be a big winner!

Mike really loved spending time with his grandson Kane whom he referred to as his "rock". Mike also spent much of his time with his companion of the last 16 years, Vera Makaroff. Mike and Vera were the best of friends and were together until his passing. Mike will be deeply missed by his own family, but he will be missed by Vera's family as well. In 2010, Mike welcomed his first great-grandson, Maksim Plotnikoff. This meant that Mike, Ed, Kyle

and Maksim were now four generations of Plotnikoffs, which is a very special and uncommon today. Mike was proud to have been a part of this.

Mike was a kind, humble, generous, soft-spoken and gentle man. He was also very helpful, friendly, and social, and he had a quiet sense of humor.

Mike is predeceased by his loving wife of 39 years, Paulie, who passed away March 4, 1995. He is also predeceased by his father Mike Plotnikoff, his mother Nora Plotnikoff and his sisters Nora Drazdoff and Florence Kinakin. Mike is survived by his son Ed and his wife Donna; daughter Carrie and her husband Fred Zeabin; grandson Kyle and his wife Natalie; granddaughter Tianta and her husband Dean; grandson Kane; great-grandsons Maksim and Hudson; and his sister Polly Davidoff and her husband Andy.

We would like to thank Castlegar Fire and Rescue, Ambulance Attendants, RCMP, neighbours, Bill Strilaeff & staff at the Castlegar Funeral Chapel, Harry Zeabin, singers, Walter Holuboff, gravediggers & the cooks. Also thank you to all who sent flowers, food & condolences.

MAY GOD BLESS HIM & MAY HE REST IN PEACE.



In Memoriam
Vechnaya Pamyat

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