



**BONE,
Donald William**

Donald William Bone (b. August 18, 1940) of Armstrong, B.C. passed away peacefully in his sleep on November 10, 2020 after a year-long battle with prostate cancer.

Don was born in Edmonton, and as a teen made his way to B.C.'s Okanagan Valley and discovered his love of horses while work-

ing as a ranch hand. Life took him to Watrous, Sask. where he met his wife Arlene (née Potts). He made friends who became family working in McLeod's hardware store and on a few farms in the area. The newlyweds settled in B.C. – first in Trail, then Penticton, and finally Vernon, where Don became a pressman. In the 1980s he operated his own home renovations business and in the 1990s became a 'Watkins Man'. Later moving to Spallumcheen, Don finished his working life at SRI Homes in Winfield, and retired in 2005 with fond memories of the crew there. His retirement was spent in casinos, at A&W for mozza burgers, chopping wood for the winters, and tinkering in his workshop. He enjoyed many evenings listening to old country music or playing Rummikub.

Don is survived by his loving wife Arlene; children Marilyn Fransen (Kevin) and Randy Bone (Heather); grandchildren Andrew and Audrey Bone and Matthew Fransen; siblings Carol Pizer (Arnie), Rosalind Dickey, Diane LaRose, Wendy Emerson (John), Jackie Ewanchuk (Alvin), Brenda Phillips, Darlene Botsford, Sharon May, and John Bone; and a large extended family of nieces, nephews, brothers- and sisters-in-law, and cousins.

Don was predeceased by his parents Howard Bone (Doris) and Leona (née LeBlanc) Greenland (Mel); siblings Harry Bonet, Marion Bone, and Patricia Lotnick; as well as several aunts including Delia Richardson and Della Pearn who made big contributions to his life.

Thank you very much to the Vernon Hospice House, and the Community Care nursing team (whom he made fun connections with).

A private family service will be held at a later date.