



**JONES,
Thomas (Tom) Richard**

Thomas Jones, aged 97 years, passed away at Watrous District Health Complex on Friday, March 4, 2016.

Thomas was born August 25, 1918 to William and Sarah Jones of Poplar Park. He married Elsie Brown February 14, 1942. They farmed east of Amazon along with owning the grocery store in Amazon from 1950 to 1960 when they moved two miles east of Amazon. While in Amazon, Tom was proud to serve as mayor. In 1976, they moved to Watrous where Tom continued to farm. Every morning he started his day with a drive to the farm where he spent it working on the land and checking the cattle he loved so much. Tom enjoyed spending time with his family, friends and neighbours and he was his grand-

children's biggest fan. Friendships were very important to Tom and he always had time for his Poplar Park, Amazon, Simpson and the many new ones he met after moving to Watrous through bowling and coffee. Community was a priority too and Tom volunteered on various boards and spent many years on the United Church Board. He was always ready to give credit and encouragement to others.

Tom is survived by his sons Gordon (Darlene) and their daughters Charlene (Afishin) and their son Matthew, Shannon and her daughter Emerson; Roy (Margaret) and their sons Rhett (Nicole) and their son Calder and daughters Bryar and Blayk; Vaughn (Darlana) and their daughter Brynlee and son Brooks; sister-in-law Isabel and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife Elsie of 53 years, his parents, brothers Vaughan and wife Eileen, Gren and sister Thora and husband Cliff Langston; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Muriel and Elmer Treble and Bill and Cleta Brown.

Funeral service was held at Watrous United Church on March 9 conducted by Rev. Karl Shin.

Honorary pallbearers were David Hawkes, Rick Hawkes, Robert Burkitt, Gilbert Burkitt, Gerry Sinnamon, Ian Potts, Bryan Potts and Daryl Potts. Anthony Allin, Ole Anderson, Bob Penrose, David Potts, Lee Hawkes and Lyle Smith were pallbearers. Register attendants were Norma and Dorman Hutchinson. Maureen Gartner and Joanne Kowalski were ushers. Tribute to dad was given by Roy Jones. Vaughn Jones gave the eulogy. Organist was Shelley Engele with John McArthur as soloist.

Interment followed at Watrous Cemetery.

Memorial donations directed to Manitou Lodge Auxiliary Fund would be appreciated.

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