



**REMEMBERING**  
**Raymond John Molnar**

July 18, 1936 - August 10, 2022



It is with deep sadness that the family of Raymond John Molnar announces his passing in the early morning hours of August 10, 2022 at the age of 86 years. Ray will forever be in the hearts of his beloved wife of over 65 years, Pauline and their daughters; Pamela (Jim) Cave, Sandra (Shane) Axelson and Sharon Molnar. Ray leaves behind six grandchildren; Jessica Bolwyn, Eric Cave, Andrew Cave, Michelle (Ryley) Killam, Anders (Tori) Axelson and Carter Gulseth and seven great grandchildren; Hunter, Phoenix, Jackson, Key, Fox, AJ and Murphie. Ray is also survived by his brother Donald and his wife Gladys, and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, his brother Wilfred and his wife Lou.

Ray was born on July 18, 1936 in Yorkton, Saskatchewan to John and Mary Molnar. The family moved to Cranbrook in 1942 and bought property near Elizabeth Lake. Ray met Pauline Shypitka in Cranbrook, and they were married on December 1, 1956.

Ray worked for various companies over the years; Liquid Air, truck driving, managing and sales; Seagram's Distilleries as sales manager and for Mohawk Terminals in sales. After his retirement he worked for Mohawk as a Hotshot driver which was his favorite job. Ray's family would often laugh when his phone rang and yell "Hotshot!" as Ray jumped up to go on a trip.

In his younger years Ray loved going up Bull River for hunting and fishing trips on horseback with family and friends. He also enjoyed his years as Captain of the Cranbrook Cadet Corps. Ray took up welding after he retired from Air Liquide. He built quite a few flat decks for the Mohawk trucks, as well as fences and other projects. Ray would draw up plans and build clever and unique designs, which the family would marvel at.

Ray was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend to many. Pauline and Ray celebrated 65 years of marriage in 2021, and as Ray

always said "I wouldn't have missed a minute of it". He was extremely proud of his daughters, grandchildren, and his great grandchildren. He had a special relationship with each of his grandchildren and had a large impact on their lives. He constantly provided words of encouragement to both his loved ones and people he interacted with day to day. He always looked for the positive side and had a real zest for life. Ray loved to help organize events for the "Class of '55". These were his lifelong friends. If you could only use one phrase to describe Ray it would be "He was a gentleman".

The family would like to thank the staff of Fisher Peak Medical, the Heart Function Clinic, and the EKRH for their care and kindness to Ray. If friends desire, memorial donations may be made to the Salvation Army. Condolences may be left for the family at [www.markmemorial.com](http://www.markmemorial.com).

A Celebration of Life will be held

Saturday, November 26, 2022

2:00-5:00 pm

Royal Alexandra Hall

57 Van Horne Street South

Cranbrook, BC

