Barrie passed away suddenly as a result of a heart condition.

Barrie was the only child of Frank and Elizabeth Bran. He was born in Vancouver, BC in 1940. He joined the Canadian Armed Forces at an early age. He became an aircraft electrician and later remustered to Flight Simulator Tech. in Trenton, Ontario. He retired from the Airforce in June 1978. He then moved his family to the NWT. He went to work at NWT Air and then to Wardair. He then went on to work for the Government of NWT in 1982 and retired in the fall of 1994. He obtained his Interprovincial Electrical Certificate. He enjoyed doing odd jobs for friends.

Predeceased by his parents Frank Bran, December 1970 and Elizabeth (L’Hirondelle) Bran, July 1986, Barrie is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Eleanor and his children Millie Sibbeston, Fort Simpson, NT; Kimberly (Allan) Hjelmeland, Yellowknife, NT; Lisa Sparling, Westbank, BC; Derek (Ginny) Bran, Yellowknife NT; and Jay (Pam) Bran, Calgary, AB. Barrie is also survived by nine grandchildren: Trina Sibbeston, Kyle Sibbeston, Corey Sibbeston, Shawna-Rae Sibbeston, Cole Hjelmeland, Jared Bran, Alana Hjelmeland, Aldrin Hjelmeland, Carissa Sparling; one great-grandchild: Tiara Sibbeston-Wattis and three sponsored foster children in other countries.

He took an active role in various local community groups and especially helping others in self-help groups.

Barrie was a wonderful father, husband, grand-father, friend, and provider for his family and never left them wanting. He was especially proud of his children, and took special pride in caring for his grandson Jared.

Funeral Mass will be held at St. Patrick’s Church in Yellowknife on Wednesday, September 15, 2004. Public viewing will take place at 1:00 pm, service at 2:00 pm, internment to follow at Lakeview Cemetery.

Reception at the Elk’s at 3:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in the memory of Barrie can be made to the Yellowknife Association for Community Living.