

# SILVANO RAGGIO

January 6, 1931 - July 24, 2010



It is with great sadness that the family of Silvano Raggio announce his sudden passing on July 24, 2010.

Silvano is survived by his loving wife of 36 years Jean and step-children, Jackie Paul (Jimmy), Johanne Lee (Richard), David Wouters (Jan), Mark Wouters (Christine), Dale Wouters (Margaret), Cecile Beemer (Kevin), Christine McConachie (John), Michael Wouters (Terry Ann), numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and his mother Ilia and family in Italy.

After leaving the Air Force in Italy Silvano immigrated to Canada in 1966 and came directly to Yellowknife to work at the Con Mine. He worked at Bluefish Hydro for the first few years and then at the Con Mine as a Millwright. He retired in 1995 to Drayton Valley, Alberta with his wife Jean. The family enjoyed many wonderful summers at the cabin Silvano built on Prosperous Lake. Silvano had a passion for boating and he and Jean would often spend weeks of vacation on the Great Slave Lake. He loved building and flying remote control airplanes, Italian wine and cooking and was proud of his canoe trip down the Mackenzie River. A loving, doting husband, a wonderful father and grandfather, a proud Italian and a man of integrity, loyalty, dependability – he will be fondly remembered and greatly missed.

Our families would like to express our deepest gratitude to the numerous people who stopped to assist during the emergency on July 23 – we do not know all of your names – but the willingness of strangers to stop and help was incredible and will be forever remembered. To the dedicated and professional staff of the Stanton Territorial Hospital Emergency Room and Intensive Care Unit, the YKFD Ambulance Service, the Medivac flight crew and flight nurses and the Royal Alex Cardiac ICU – your care was outstanding.

As per his wishes Silvano was cremated and his family will hold a small private memorial. Condolences may be sent to [raggiofamily@hotmail.ca](mailto:raggiofamily@hotmail.ca).

**Gone but never to be forgotten ...  
thank you for choosing us ... we will miss you dearly.**

