It is with sadness that Marnie Shopa along with her three children announce the passing of Bill on September 18, 2009.

Bill leaves behind his wife of 47 years, Marnie (MacIntyre), his daughter Heather (Robert) Redshaw of Yellowknife, NT, his son Timothy (Kristine) Shopa of Cold Lake, AB and his son Robert (Maryann) Shopa of Hinton, AB. Bill was the proud grandpa of eight grandchildren.

Bill spent over 29 years as a member of the RCMP, posted in the NWT, Ontario and BC. He loved the North, his greatest joy was being on his boat at the East Arm of Great Slave Lake.

Upon retirement Bill and Marnie relocated to Hinton, AB. They spent 14 years travelling to Arizona for the winter months where Marnie was introduced to quilting and Bill found a passion for “gold panning”.

Marnie and family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to the staff at Hinton General Hospital for the care Bill received during his final days.

A gathering of friends and family will be held in Hinton on October 24, 2009.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.