Jacob (Jack) Wedel
October 31, 1929 - July 26, 2017

Jack Wedel, 87, died of old age on July 26, 2017 in Kenora, Ontario. He is predeceased by his first wife Lorraine Wedel (Dahlgren) former school psychologist with the Yellowknife Education District No. 1, and is survived by his second wife, Elaine Davis-Wedel of Locke Bay, Ont.

Jack completed his Bachelor of Science degree (Geography), winning the Gold Medal in 1982 at the University of Winnipeg, and in the fall of that year, moved with Lorraine to Yellowknife where he worked with the Water Survey of Environment Canada until his retirement in 1989. Jack was active in the local theatre and music community of Yellowknife, and was one of the founding members of “The Gumboots”. He was an avid curler with the Yellowknife Curling Club with his team representing the NWT at the Canadian Seniors playdown in the mid-80’s, and he was also an active member of the Yellowknife United Church where he served in various capacities and sang in the choir.

Jack will be missed by his family and the many friends he made in his life across the North, in Winnipeg, and around Kenora, Ontario, where he built his retirement home on the shores of the Winnipeg River in 1990. Jack was an active member of Knox United Church in Kenora, and also sang with a local group called “The Other Mother’s Sons” for several years. In typical Mennonite form, a few years after the death of his first wife, Jack remarried at the age of 82, and was able to live out the rest of his life to the fullest with his new wife – a retired nurse, in his own home. Jack leaves to mourn many relatives including three sisters and a brother, four children and their spouses, nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.