



**BECKET, Gordon B.** of Yellowknife, N.W.T. died peacefully on December 13, 2004 at the age of 60. Gord is survived by his sister, Diane, his two daughters, Jennifer and Chrissy, his niece, Suzanne, his nephew, Stephen (Sheri), their children Kendra and Tyler, his numerous friends, colleagues as well as all the fish he was not able to catch.

Gord was born on October 24, 1944 in Toronto, Ontario.

After completing school, he began his career in the occupation health and safety field at RIO Algam Mines. He then worked for Central Canada Potash in Saskatchewan. In 1979, Gord moved to Cassiar, B.C. and worked for the Cassiar Mining Corporation and was the fire chief of the town's fire department. In 1989, he moved to Vancouver and worked for CPL Paperboard. Gord was hired in September, 1997 as a Safety Officer in Iqaluit, N.W.T. In 1998, Gord was promoted to Chief Safety Officer and transferred to Yellowknife where he made his home.

Gord was known for his sense of humour and smile once you got through his crusty and tough outer layer. His determination and stubbornness enabled him to work until a few days before his passing. His many loves included his family, friends, co-workers, his career, his fish and fishing.

A memorial service was held at the Elks Hall on Thursday, December 16, 2004 in Yellowknife, N.W.T. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, NWT Chapter, 5016-50th Avenue, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 1C9.

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks to Bob and Mary Lou Morgan, Jack and Karen MacKinnon, Mark McCallum, Dave Hurley, Dave Clark, Bruce and Judy Graney, Suzanne McVarnock, Dr. Hansen, the nurses at the palliative care unit, all the members of the Elks Club and anyone else who offered their love and support. Whether you sent or spoke a kind word or had us in your thoughts, the family could not have done everything without the kindness of friends and strangers alike.

***The Becket and Reid Family***

