George Charles Lirette

Sunrise: May 15, 1934
Sunset: May 4, 2004

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother, George Lirette of Grande Prairie, AB.

George was born to Leandre and Germaine Lirette in Bonnyville, Alberta. As an infant, George travelled to Fort Resolution, NT where he was raised and lived for the next 38 years. George worked closely with his father on the family trap line, mink ranch, and later trucking business. In 1961, George met Lucy Boutilier, a new teacher in Fort Resolution, and they were married in 1963. In 1973, with four children, the Lirette family moved to Pine Point, NT where George worked as a Heavy Equipment Mechanic at Cominco Mines until its closure in 1988. George and Lucy left the north for Penticton, BC, where George worked at the Nickel Plate Gold Mine prior to his retirement in 1998. In 2003, George and Lucy moved to Grande Prairie, AB to be closer to their children and grandchildren in the Northwest Territories.

George is survived by his wife of 40 years, Lucy; children Charles (Dorothry) of Hay River, NT, Raymond (Helena) of Fort Simpson, NT, David (Louanne) of Yellowknife, NT and Deanna of Yellowknife, NT. George is predeceased by his parents Leandre and Germaine Lorette (Bonnyville, AB) and his father-in-law Charles Boutilier (Dominion, NS).

Prayer service was held on Friday, May 7, 2004 at 7:00 pm from Oliver’s Grande Prairie Funeral Chapel (10005-107 Ave.) Grande Prairie. The Funeral service was held at the St. Joseph Catholic church in Grande Prairie, Alberta on Saturday, May 8, 2004 at 11:00 am with Father Gerry Pettipas C.Ss.R. Celebrant. A private burial will take place in Hay River, NT at a later date.