

## Robert BRUNELLE

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Robert "Bob" Brunelle, peacefully left this life December 27, 2012, to start his new life in Heaven where he will join his parents, infant son, Robert, and other loved ones. Bob was born in Duck Lake, Saskatchewan, on February 27, 1920 to Willy and Yvonne (Léger) Brunelle. He attended school in Duck Lake until the age of 10 when he became boarder and student at the Jesuit College, St. François Xavier in Edmonton, Alberta. Dad had impressive hockey skills and was in demand as a hockey player. He played on the college team as well as on city teams in Edmonton. He also played on a team in Prince Albert with Johnny Bower. He got his Bachelor of Arts in Edmonton and his Bachelor of Accounting in Saskatoon. He was a captain in the army, a rank he credits to his bilingualism and an instructor in Survival Tactics.

In 1943, he married Yvette LeGars. They would have celebrated their 70th anniversary on July 7 of this year. The fruits of this marriage were: 1) Claudette (Armand) Thibodeau - Nipawin 2) Margot (Wally) Urff - Iroquois Lake 3) Paul (Betty Lou) Brunelle - Cowan Lake 4) Louis (Shirley) Brunelle - Morinville, Alberta 5) Denise (Lucien) Lalonde - Tisdale 6) Giselle (Hugh) Nerlien - Porcupine Plain 7) Maurice (Leanne) Brunelle - Edmonton 8) Jac-o (Kelly) Christopherson - Porcupine Plain. Dad also had 33 grandchildren, 39 3/4 great-grandchildren and 2 great great-grandchildren. With this downline of over 100 he earned, from the local Rotarians, the nickname of "The Western Producer". Dad and Mum moved to Nipawin in 1950, where he managed Relland Motors. He then partnered with Johnny Leblanc in 1960 at Nipawin Car Sales.

In 1970, he opened up his own accounting office which grew to Brunelle, Kneeshaw, Thibodeau and is now Heincke Johns. He was involved in many organizations ie. Pineview Lodge Board, John Bosco Camp, St. Eugene's Parish Council, Rotary, No Name Band, Nipawin Exhibition Society, Knights of Columbus, Nipawin Hockey Association, Jack Pine Investment Club and volunteered with various ministries at church plus entertained with Mum at Pineview Lodge every Thursday afternoon for many years. Dad and Mum had a passion for travel: Mexico, International trips for Rotary, school trips, family trip to Paris, pilgrimage to Medjugorje and of course, many winters in Hawaii, always inviting others to share their condo. Dad was a man of integrity who lived by his faith and the Rotary Four Way Test. It was a privilege to know him and be part of his life. Peace be with you, Dad... we look forward to the time we will be reunited!

**No Events Scheduled At This  
Time**