



Morley James Franklin Wilson

April 24, 1940 - December 31, 2024

Morley passed away with family by his side on December 31, 2024, at the age of 84. Born on April 24, 1940, in Winnipeg Manitoba, he lived a life filled with dedication, service, and a quiet appreciation for the simple joys.

Known to his family as Dad, Grampa, and Great Grampa, and to others simply as 'Moe,' his journey began at the age of 16 when he joined the Canadian Forces under the Soldier Apprentice Program in 1956. Over his 23-year military career, Moe was posted to various locations, including Churchill, Soest, Calgary, Dundurn, Edmonton, Moose Jaw, and Petawawa.

His service included a notable international peacekeeping mission in Ismailia, Egypt, in 1974-75. Working in several roles, Moe ultimately served as a Supply Technician and retired in 1979 with the rank of Sergeant, proud of his contributions to the country. After his military career, Moe embarked on a second career in inventory control and retired for good from Telus in 1999.

In retirement, Moe settled in Picture Butte, Alberta, before eventually relocating back to Edmonton. He was known for his love of life's simple pleasures—a good barbecue rib, a messy hamburger, a Denny's 'Moe Wilson Special' breakfast, or a sweet piece of chocolate. He was a man of few words, but his kindness, curiosity, and talent for telling captivating stories were loved by his family and everyone who had the pleasure of listening.

Moe had a lifelong fascination with all things tech—gadgets and gear were his passion. He also had a special fondness for vintage cars, old music, cowboys, and the nostalgia of Western movies. His playlists included Johnny Cash, Elvis, and Willie Nelson, while his afternoons were often spent watching baseball (go Blue Jays) or curling.

Moe was predeceased by his wife, Sharon, his mother Doris Kathleen Porteous Dzumaga, and his father James Wilson.

He is survived by his children, Laurel (Kevin) Wilson-Perry, Gary (Palmira) Wilson, Susan (Bob) Battle, and stepdaughter Laura Hill. Moe also leaves behind numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as many special friends from his retirement community. He will be deeply missed by all.

Cremation has taken place. A private celebration of Moe's life will be held by his family.

Rest easy, Dad. You've earned your peace.

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