



REMEMBERING Melvin STEINHAUER

February 6, 1942 - February 9, 2021



Tribute from Grace Gardens Funeral Chapel

Grace Gardens Funeral Chapel Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from Dareld and Dianne Cholak and Family.

Relation: Friends

Our deepest condolences to you Delia and the entire Family..May he R.I.P.

Tribute from Eric John Large

Relation: Former work associate.

Condolences to the bereaved family and relatives of Melvin. I had the privilege of working many years with Melvin when he worked as the Tribal Administrator in Saddle Lake and in the area of residential schools support. I am thankful for his sincerity and friendship.

Tribute from Freda Cherrett

Relation: Family relative.

My sincere condolences to Delia and the family. Sorry for your loss Melvin was a kind caring man.

Tribute from James Krauss

Relation: Worked together

Sincere condolences to Melvin's family. Melvin will be truly missed by everyone who knew him.

Tribute from Denise Kaiser (Rehaume)

Relation: Uncle

My deepest sympathy to Auntie Delia, Darrell, Dale & Marvin and families. Uncle Melvin will be sadly missed and such an inspiration to the family, with a such a good heart to help anyone who needed it.

Tribute from Connie and Larry Collins

Relation: Friend

I never had the honor of meeting Melvin, but I certainly feel as though I know him. I have treasured my friendship with Dale for many years. Whenever I send a compliment Dale's way - he often says that he

is his father's son. I know family connection was very important to Melvin. He, like Dale, valued the meaning of loving and supporting family and friends. I have a sweet memory of a kind gesture that Melvin did for my husband over 15 years ago. He sent Dale to our lake lot at Whitefish to give us bear fat for Larry's psoriasis. We have never forgotten. The stuff stank beyond belief, but it sure worked. Tradition and culture are another beautiful trait that Melvin instilled in Dale. I have grown very fond of my sweet friend, and his pain is my pain. I wish him, Delia and all of his grieving friends and family my sincerest and deepest condolences. I hope that the wonderful memories of Melvin that were made through the years, help to sustain you all during this sad and difficult time.

Tribute from Ron and Pat Malone

Relation: Father to a dear friend.

Our most sincere condolences Dale, your dad was a very special person. We will remember him fondly.

Tribute from Debra Jackson

Relation: Family

My heart felt condolences to all loved ones and family. So saddened to hear of this loss. He will be truly missed.

Tribute from Sara Potts

Relation: relation

Our heartfelt condolences to the family and Melvin's siblings from the Potts and Louis family in Maskwacis. He was a very kind hearted considerate man. When I took my late aunties Pauline, Betty, and my mom Esther and aunty Maggie to Saddle Lake for funerals we were well taken care of. May God comfort you all.

Tribute from carl shirt

Relation: worked with him

Worked at post office while he was administrator he was a good boss and a good person my condolences to his family

Tribute from Henry Janzen

Relation: We had many occasions working together in friendly ways in our respective working lives.

My most sincere condolences to Delia, Darryl, Dale, Marvin and the other family members and friends. It was always a pleasure talking with Melvin. His wise words were always helpful and his heart was in the right place. Melvin, thank you for sharing your life in such meaningful ways.

Tribute from Dan Zarowny

Relation: Friend

Delia, Darryl, Dale and Marvin

Please accept my sincerest regrets on hearing of the passing of the patriarch of your family. It was an honour to have known him and to have considered him a friend. He represented himself with warmth, wisdom and compassion; it was easy to like him.

His authorship of a book regarding his esteemed ancestry is a true eye opener and a fascinating

read; it was something of great pride to him.

More importantly, he was a leader in all things he undertook and has left his community a better place.

Tribute from Reanna C-Jackson

Condolences to the Steinhauer Family, Melvin was very kind and treated me well when he was the SLCN Tribal Administrator. Every time I would meet up with him in public, he always greeted me very loudly by my first name...may he rest in eternal peace!

Tribute from David Bird

Relation: Distant relative

Please accept my/our condolences for the loss of your husband. It must have been so hard, not being able to see him in hospital or be with him. I was so very saddened to learn of Melvin's passing. I will miss his presence, his stories, his wisdom. My wife and I met Melvin in 2002 when we came to Goodfish to find my great-great-great grandfather Henry Bird Steinhauer's grave. By chance, we met your father when I went into a gas & convenience store to ask for directions. Colin kindly helped us to find the cemetery and after a lovely afternoon chatting on the porch with him and your mother, also introduced us to Melvin. Melvin told us about his book that he was writing about Henry Bird (Shawahnekizhek) and we talked about our common ancestors. Melvin also told us with pride about the successes of the Whitefish/Goodfish band such as the dry cleaning and garment facility serving the oilsands. I was very glad to be reacquainted with him in 2015 when his book was finally published.

It was a very exciting moment and I was very happy for him to complete this important work. I was also very glad to be part of the Anniversary Celebration later that summer. Sadly, my wife was not able to attend, but my mother, Marlene, was glad to be part of that event as well. I was especially grateful to have had the time to talk with both Melvin and many of the people who were able to attend. Melvin shared many stories with me about his work with the band council, his childhood, and the many annual community hunting and fishing events that he was a major part of. I looked up to him very much and I will miss him terribly.

