

Arden Jaster
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In the quiet early hours of the morning on March 11, 2011 Arden died peacefully in his little house in Morris. He courageously dealt with his illness, never complaining, just accepting what life had given him. He was thankful for all the people who had helped him in his journey especially Dr. Cornelius Woelk, the nurses at the Boundary Trails Chemo and Palliative Care Unit, and Karen Schaak, the Palliative Care Co-ordinator, all of whom who worked so hard to make him comfortable and happy in his final days. The family will be forever grateful.

Arden will be lovingly remembered by his beloved friend Dollie and her caring family, his two sisters Beverley (Fraser) and Dorothy (Andrew) his nephews Chris (Nicole), Michael (Emma) Trevor, his nieces Pamela (Steve), Robin (Bob), Kimberley (Karen) and his great nieces and nephews Claire, Robyn, Mallory, William, Spencer and Paris whom he loved deeply, numerous cousins, his first wife Marika, his many friends from his flying days and personal friends from his growing up in Morris.

Arden's early passion for model airplanes and things aeronautical led him to a very successful career with the RCAF and then Air Canada. He safely piloted his passengers all over the world. He loved his profession and everything associated with it. As he cheerfully said to us in his final days "Always Keep the Cockpit Clean".

In 2008 he returned to his roots in Manitoba for which we were very glad. He purchased himself a beautifully restored Aeronca Champ he affectionately named "Veronica" which he and Captain Wayne Barrie flew back from Morrisburg Ontario in a fun-filled week of adventure. In 2009 he purchased his former family home in Morris and re-settled there. This brought him much happiness and peace as he re-united with many of his former friends and family. He found renewed joy with his special friend John and his wife Bev, his wonderful neighbours Shannon and Darryl and their girls, and the ROMEO breakfast club. Having found a safe place to park Veronica he spent many hours soaring the skies around Morris often taking his trusting friends for rides.

Never too fond of the cold weather Arden spent part of two winters in New Zealand where he golfed with his friends Dave and Carol Lett. He and Dollie travelled to parts of Canada and just three weeks before his death the two of them completed an epic journey to the Antarctic which was on his "to do" list. In spite of his illness he lived life to the fullest.

At Arden's request no formal funeral will be held. Private family interment will occur at a later date.

"How Lucky we were to have Shared Someone who makes saying Good-bye so Hard".