



Mr. Bernard "Bud" Belanger

April 28, 2020

BELANGER Bernard Patrick (Bud)

August 20th, 1931 – April 28th, 2020

Bud passed away suddenly on Tuesday April 28, 2020 in his 89th year. He died peacefully in the Barrie home he had built in 1954. Beloved husband of Pearl Elizabeth (nee Morrison); honored father of Pam (late Ron Jensen) of Elmvale, Susan of Barrie and Sharon of Vancouver; loving grandfather of Jamie, Erin (Jamie Weatherston), Melissa and Patrick; great grandfather of Ava and Isla; and proud uncle of his many nieces and nephews. Bud was predeceased by parents Thomas and Doris Belanger, and siblings Arnold, Raymond, Mary, Estelle, Eugene and Donald.

Bud was a solid, steady, hard-working and respected man with a sharp wit and a warm heart. He was a good provider, neighbour and citizen, and a builder through and through – of homes, friendships and community spirit. Though he bought many a lottery ticket, Bud's riches were his family and the many who adored him.

From humble beginnings in Campbell's Bay Quebec, Bud moved to Barrie Ontario where he met and started a life with his cherished wife Pearl of 68 years. He worked for Bentorswell Construction before founding his own company building houses, and then rounded out his building career by helping many friends enhance their homes and cottages. Practicing his innate talent and work ethic, he was 87 before considering retirement.

Bud loved working with his hands, and after a hard days work he traded his hammer for a deck of cards and a laugh with friends. Along the way, Bud built two cottages of his own at Harris Lake, and spent many happy hours fishing, one of the biggest of the many joys in his life. He and Pearl were fortunate to have travelled the world together, broadening a lively curiosity that he fed with voracious reading. Bud was also an active, dedicated member of St. John Vianney Parish for more than 60 years.

Those who love Bud will always find him in a game of cards, a winning ticket, or in a sunset on Harris lake. "Be careful now and remember, always be good like me."

The date for Bud's Celebration of Life has not yet been set. The family would appreciate that any memorial donations be made to St. John Vianney Parish or Hospice Simcoe.

Comments



“ Dear Pearl, my deepest sympathy is extended to you and your family. May you find peace , comfort and strength from your enduring memories of Bud.

Brenda Murray - May 28 at 11:00 AM



“ I am incredibly sorry to hear of Uncle Bud's passing. He is such a wonderful and significant part of my childhood. My Dad was always proud to call him friend. He was so hardworking with incredible devotion to his family. I will miss the feel of his hug, his sense of humour and most of all how he made me feel so special. I like to imagine he is with Dad now. They are singing, telling jokes and maybe even playing a hand of crib. He will forever be in our hearts. Sending hugs and love to all who love and knew him.

Love Angie McKeown (Smith) and family



Angela McKeown - May 21 at 12:41 PM



“ My Deepest Sympathies go out to Auntie Pearl and my cousins Pam, Susan and Sharon on their loss. I am going to miss him a lot as well. I will always remember him as someone who played hard but worked harder. I really got to know my Uncle Bud when I worked for him in the summer. He wanted me to work as hard as he did and I remember him always peeking around the corner when I went to have my smoke break. And all those parties!!! the family get together at Midhurst Park!! and those countless poker nights!! Uncle Bud also had the keen sense of how much alcohol to have before he would start his rendition of "Danny Boy".

Whenever Kath and I came to Barrie to visit he always made sure that we had something planned for the day. And if not he would whisk us away for a drive or a trip to the Casino.

Uncle Bud was a great uncle, friend and an inspiration.

I Love you Uncle Bud and I will miss you lots.

Bob Terry (Kathleen)

Bob Terry - May 14 at 11:58 AM



“ Pearl,Pam,Sharon and Susan I am so very sorry to hear of your great loss. Buddy will always be remembered fondly by everyone here in the Bay. Your memories will bring you through this very sad time. And I am pretty sure you have many. We are all thinking of you.

Sharon Gravelle (Belanger) - May 09 at 09:54 PM



“ Dear Pearl, Pam, Sharon, Susan & Families: Please accept our heartfelt sympathies in the passing of Buddy. He will certainly be missed for his hearty laugh, big smile, talking old times and lots of joke-telling. We always enjoyed his visits to the Big Bad Bay, as we knew he'd have some stories to share and undoubtedly go home with a few to tell. May your hearts be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times you spent together as you celebrate a life well lived. RIP Dear Buddy.
From: The family of Aunt Gladys & Uncle Eric (Campbell's Bay)

The Belangers - May 09 at 05:49 PM



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Richard Belanger - May 09 at 03:03 PM



“ Dear Pearl and family,
As you grieve Bud's death may you find comfort in the truth that his life has changed not ended. During these most unusual and difficult times you are remembered in prayer.
God bless,
Catherine Ecker

Catherine Ecker - May 09 at 02:32 PM



“ Bud—a very loving, gentle, friendly man. We will miss you very much. Especially at 11:30 Sunday morning mass at St John Vianney. RIP.

Bless you Pearl and family. Love Joan

joan Wanamaker - May 09 at 01:18 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies. I was a young girl when we met at the Belanger Réunion in Campbell’s Bay, and who can forget the talent show! Elmer (Herda) an de Maureen’s daughter.

Lisa Belanger - May 08 at 07:34 AM



“ I have great memories of cousin Bud at the Belanger family reunion

Thoughts and prayers

Bob and Kathy Galway (nee Belanger) (Earl (red) and Rowena's daughter)



Kathy Galway - May 07 at 09:24 PM



“ I'll remember Uncle Buddy for his humour, teasing and kind heart. I know is will be terribly missed by all of the family out here in BC. Thinking of you all,

Love, Leigha (Belanger) Horsfield and family.

Leigha Horsfield - May 07 at 05:48 PM



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Richard Belanger - May 07 at 03:52 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Uncle Bud. Our thoughts and prayers to Aunt Pearl, Pam, Susan, Sharon and families.
Toby & Reg Perkin and Mary Mowforth

Toby Perkin - May 07 at 02:01 PM



“ Dearest Pearl and girls,

So sorry for loss. Buddy will always be fondly remembered by the Gang from the Bay.

Love
Anne and Lee

Anne Belanger - May 07 at 01:48 PM



“ Richard Belanger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bernard "Bud" Belanger



Richard Belanger - May 07 at 10:23 AM



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Richard Belanger - May 07 at 08:21 AM



“ Doug, Aaron, Gemma and myself were very saddened when we received the call that our cherished friend Bud, had passed that very morning, we had spoken to him just two days before, chatted about winning lottery as usual and what we were all up to, course he talked about his precious Pearl and how she was doing. Every time we

look around our house or cottage we see Buds handy work , his memory will be with us always, he will be truly missed, Doug will miss his crown royal mate!

Condolences to his beloved family

Respectfully Sylvia,Doug and family

Sylvia Styling - May 06 at 05:44 PM



“ Uncle Bud ... my Godfather.. you will always hold a special place in my heart.. You were always there for all us - and took us under your wing when Dad passed - You were there to help us with renovations - and laughed soooo hard when we tried to remove all the ardock nails from the wall!!! - Belanger Built you said - I smile when I think of you singing and dancing to Stompin Tom.. and hiding your drink from aunt Pearl!! - she's not the boss...LOL.. but we all knew she was.
You are our Belanger Patriarch - and lived proud by that .. You are now with Family, and I'm sure it will be quite the reunion!! Poker, fishing, horseshoes.. and just a "little shot" ... and many butter tarts!

To my dear cousins, and my steadfast, strong-willed Aunt Pearl, please know we are here to support, love and comfort you - and treasure the many many happy memories we all have - we will smile through our tears of the cherished memories we have.

Thoughts and Prayers,
John, Michelle and Justus

Michelle Belanger - May 06 at 12:40 PM



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Michelle Belanger - May 06 at 12:27 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Bud. I will always remember his presence at church and where he sat on Sundays. thoughts and prayers for the family

Sincerely
Terry Smyth

Terry Smyth - May 06 at 10:06 AM



“ Hi Belanger Family, We were so sorry to hear of Bud's passing, he was such a wonderful man always talked to him when I went to Agnes' every week day to eat my lunch with Marilyn my friend since 1978. Lots of good memories of him . Saw him just a couple of months ago at Tim Hortons on Bayfield St and we knew each other instantly. Rest in peace Bud. Love the Williams family.

Louise Williams - May 06 at 02:56 PM



“ You will be missed so much Bud; you were a part of my life for so long, helping me with your building experience, always there when I needed you for anything, just going for a lottery ticket and a coffee, enjoying every moment spent with you. You, being the best cousin I could ever have. Pearl and your girls will be so lonely without you,as will I.

Joanne Irwin - May 06 at 03:31 PM



“ My condolences to Pearl and family, Bud was a great friend to me, I will miss him.

Bill Willoughby

Bill Willoughby - May 21 at 03:06 PM