

**FUNERAL SERVICE:**  
Tuesday, January 6, 2015 - 1:00 p.m.  
Trinity United Church Watson, Saskatchewan

**Officiant:**  
Rev. Al Hingley

**Active Pallbearers:**

Todd Earl  
Brendan Miller  
Kevin Earl

Scot Earl  
Daniel Earl  
Michael Knight

**INTERMENT:**  
Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Cemetery  
Watson, Saskatchewan

**Memorial Donations:**  
Canadian Cancer Society

**Luncheon to be served at Trinity United Church following interment.**

*Ivan will be lovingly remembered by his children: Valerie and her family, Kashtin and Meghan and their families; Robert (Maxine) and their family, Charmaine (Michael Knight and their family), Daniel, Kevin (Maegan); Gregory and his family, Heather and Duncan; David (Marlene) and their family, Scot, Todd (Janell Hunt), Kimberley (Brendan Miller); siblings: Opal Reykdal, Irene Dunn (Vern), Thelma Welker, Arnold (Jill) Earl, Carol (Les) Uhrich, and John Warren. He was predeceased by his parents, Dewart and Olive Earl; his sister, Marion Warren; his brother, Clifford Earl; his first wife, Rosella (2004) with whom he spent 48 years and raised their family; and his second wife, Mona (2013) with whom he shared 5 years of companionship in his later years. Ivan is also survived and predeceased by many in-laws from his, Rose's and Mona's families, and many good friends.*

*Dad was born in Saskatoon May 24, 1924. His parents moved them to a farm at Venn, SK, in 1929, but they only farmed there for 1 year, before moving to the farm at LeRoy. He took his schooling at Linton School, one mile west of the farm. He had many fond memories of growing up on the farm and playing with his brothers and sisters. He signed up underage with the Saskatchewan Light Infantry for military service in WWII and served 3 years of duty. He also did some occupation duty with the Regina Rifle Regiment. He arrived by boat in Caan, France. He went overland with his troop and spent time in active combat in Holland, Belgium and NW Germany. He was wounded by a bullet to the wallet in his hip pocket, and was proud to show anyone who was interested, the coin that "saved his life". He was promoted, in the field, to Corporal and Lance-Corporal and led a platoon doing night reconnaissance, one time even hiding in a potato field avoiding discovery, while the Germans combed up and down the rows. He had a strong instinct for survival, nicknamed "Lucky" by "his men", who considered him a valiant leader. He was proud to serve his country, but never glorified the horrors he encountered. Dad bought the farm after the war and married the "neighbour girl", Rosella Schoettler, in 1956. They raised 4 children Valerie, Robert, Gregory and David. He and mom farmed the family land where they had lived very humbly. When they retired in 1984 they moved to Watson. They were treated, at last, to running water, a wash machine, and no more outhouses. Although he would lament occasionally that he missed his dirt cellar for his potatoes. Dad enjoyed his grandkids, always looking the other way, when they raided his beautiful raspberry patch. He taught them the spirit of competition, showing no mercy in a good game of Pool. Dad loved to sing, and was self taught on many instruments. He enjoyed gardening especially in his retirement when it became a hobby for him. He told many a story on coffee-row. He loved to go fishing, and had many stories to tell of his trips up north with his fishing buddies. He was an ace at crossword puzzles, even those tough ones in the newspaper that most people can't complete. He was a newshound, and always had an opinion about politics. He loved to supervise the cooking of a turkey and no Christmas would be complete without his mince pie. Four years after mom died in 2004, Dad re-married Mona in 2008, who was a wonderful companion for 5 years until her passing in 2013. Dad spent his last 3 years at Last Mountain Pioneer Home in Strasbourg, where he re-acquainted himself with the piano, entertaining those who gathered around. He played his mouth organ when asked, even playing "Silent Night" for his Boxing Day visitors just 5 days before pneumonia took hold and Dad fought his last battle. Today we salute our brave soldier one last time.*



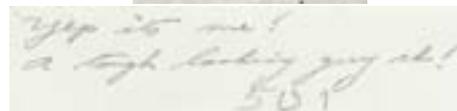


#### APPRECIATION

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

**SCHULER-LEFEBVRE FUNERAL CHAPEL**  
*Humboldt, Saskatchewan*  
*"Dedicated to those we serve."*

In Loving Memory Of



Yep its me! a tough looking guy eh! 501

# Ivan Earl

#### BORN:

May 24, 1924  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

#### PASSED AWAY:

January 1, 2015  
Regina, Saskatchewan

**AGE:**  
90 Years