



APPRECIATION

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

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"Dedicated to those we serve."



In Loving Memory Of

John Svab
99 Years

March 15, 1917 ~ February 10, 2017

FUNERAL MASS:

Tuesday, February 14, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Canadian Martyrs Roman Catholic Church Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

Celebrant:

Fr. Daniel Muyres, OSB

Crossbearer:

Bob Gardner

Organist:

Rhonda Baker and members of the
Canadian Martyrs Roman Catholic Church Choir

Scripture Readers:

Amy Pearson & Krista Gardner

Intentions:

Ann Brockman

Giftbearer:

Bob Gardner

Eulogist:

Linda Gardner

Memorial Table Attendant:

Jessi Brockman

Urnbearer:

Linda Gardner

INTERMENT:

To take place at a later date

Memorial Donations:

Bethany Pioneer Village

Memorial Luncheon:

Middle Lake Multiplex, Middle Lake, Saskatchewan



John Svab was born on March 15, 1917 to John and Anna (nee Takacs) Svab Sr., the second of eight children. He went to Lake Ignace School at six years of age until Grade 8. John worked on his dad's farm and volunteered with the RCAF in 1941. In 1944 John graduated as a pilot officer and moved up to the rank of WAG (Wireless Air Gunner). He flew in a transport plane delivering supplies to the allies and civilian victims of war in Greece, inside the Artic Circle, Norway, Denmark, Belgium, Holland, France, Italy, Russia and Germany. John also transported survivors of the Nazi Concentration Camp, Belsen Bergen in Germany. ① In 1946 John came home, he met Hilda July 1st at the Middle Lake Sports Day. ② John and Hilda were married on November 18, 1946. In 1947 they bought their farm at Little Moose Lake, and farmed there for five years. ③ In 1952 they moved to the Svab homestead, where Linda and Ann were born. In 1959 they moved to Middle Lake and John worked as Postmaster for 22 years. In 1998, they moved to Humboldt. In 2004 they moved into Birch Manor where John resided for 13 years. ④ John is lovingly remembered by his daughters, Linda Gardner and Ann (Gene) Brockman; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and two brothers: William and Louis Svab. He was predeceased by his parents, John and Anna (nee Takacs) Svab Sr.; his wife Hilda (nee Kirchner) Svab; his sisters: Sylvia, Mary and Anne; and his brothers: Charlie and Joe.

Quotes from John:

- ① - "They were the walking dead and didn't deserve what happened."
- ② - "I Loved her at first sight."
- ③ - "It was 20 acres of stones with a little dirt in between."
- ④ - Advice for longevity, shortly before John's death:

" Take life as it comes."