



Mervin P. Leis

July 23, 1931 - July 11, 2024

LEIS, Mervin P.-After a long and fulfilling life, enriched by love and joy, the family of Mervin Leis at the age of 92 years, sadly but also with content announce his quiet passing into God's loving arms in the early hours of Thursday, July 11, 2024, at Trinity Village LTC, where he resided the past four months. He formerly was a resident at Winston Park for approximately five years. Before that, Mervin and Lois were long time residents of Wellesley. Lifelong soulmate to his loving wife Lois (Boshart) with whom he shared over 71 years of marriage, filled with love and dedication. Loving father to his two sons and their wives, Brian and Shelley, Tim and Joanne. Predeceased by Elizabeth and Bruce in infancy. Grandpa to his four granddaughters who were very close to him, Christine (Don), Jessica (Justin), Deana (Callan), Erica (Brent). In recent years he became a proud great grandfather to Maya, Bronson and Eloise. He is also survived by his sisters-in law Laurene Boshart and Joan Boshart (Paul d.2013). Predeceased by his parents Peter and Veronica (Fan) Leis, his brothers and their wives, Nelson and Mary Leis, Ralph and Sarah Leis. Mervin is survived by his foster brother Joe Scott and his wife Lorraine.

Thru out his entire life, he had a strong faith and belief in God and the church. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Crosshill Mennonite Church where he served on many committees. Mervin was a kind, gentle and devout family man. Never one to judge but had great tolerance and acceptance in all situations. He loved to watch his sons play baseball and hockey and even

helped coach them at times. He also loved to watch his granddaughters (which he truly adored) play sports and participate in school events. He and Lois loved to travel and went on many bus trips across North America with close friends. Also loved spending summer vacations with family. Together he and Lois volunteered for many years helping to run the breakfast booth at the Apple Butter and Cheese Festival. Mervin was a longtime fan of the Blue Jays, Maple Leaf's and Kitchener Rangers. He worked in his early years at the Forsyth Factory in Wellesley after which he became Head Custodian at Linwood Public School. With Lois by his side, together they were there for 27 years, developing long lasting friendships with staff and students. One of his biggest enjoyments was playing guitar and singing in the Greenwood Hill Bluegrass Band. For over 20 years, they played at many places. This was a true joy for Mervin. The family would like to thank the staff at Winston Park and Trinity Village LTC, for their exceptional care to Mervin during the time he spent in each facility.

Friends may visit with the family at Crosshill Mennonite Church, 2537 Hutchison Road, Crosshill on Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. & 7-9 p.m. Funeral services will be held in the church on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 11 a.m. followed by interment at Maple View Mennonite Cemetery. Pastor Julie Ellison White officiating. Memorial donations can be made to Crosshill Mennonite Church or the House of Friendship. Arrangements entrusted to the Futher-Franklin Funeral Home, Wellesley
www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Maple View Mennonite Cemetery

5074 Deborah Glaister Line
Wellesley, ON (CA)

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 16. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Crosshill Mennonite Church
2537 Hutchison Road
Crosshill, ON (CA)

Visitation

JUL 16. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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2537 Hutchison Road
Crosshill, ON (CA)

Funeral Service

JUL 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Crosshill Mennonite Church
2537 Hutchison Road
Crosshill, ON (CA)

Pastor Julie Ellison White officiating

Tribute Wall

MH

“ *Condolences to Lois and Family...I fondly remember Mervin and Lois, from my Linwood School days, attending Church together at Crosshill Mennonite, and also enjoying/camping at Bluegrass Festivals. We loved your little wooden man, that you could make dance with the music. Mervin had a dear, gentle soul, and will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers in this time of loss.*

Melanie Hackbart - July 16, 2024 at 07:47 AM

LG

“ *Dear Lois and family,*

We are so sorry for your loss !! We first met Mervin when he and his bluegrass group, Greenwood Hills, came to our church (St Agatha Mennonite) years ago to play during our morning service and after our potluck. We so enjoyed the music that Sunday and many other Sundays (when the group came back). Mervin was a very talented musician.

'May all the wonderful memories you have of Mervin... and the love of family and friends... help you get thru this very sad time.

*Our deepest condolence,
Linda (Swartzentruber) and Brian Greer*

Linda Greer - July 15, 2024 at 07:43 PM

RH

“ *mervin played a little man that danced himself, and he sure could make him dance to the fiddle tunes, at all our events, people were amazed how he could make him dance, mervin & lois were a wonderful couple. richard&marilyn*

richard&marilyn hartung - July 14, 2024 at 09:08 PM

JK

“ My siblings and I were students at Linwood School in the 1970s and we will always remember the kindness and caring of Mervin and Lois (always Mr. and Mrs. Leis to us children). We have talked of them many many times over the years, wondering how they are doing, and were delighted when my sister saw them this past October. Sending love to the entire family. What an impactful, wonderful life. We will always treasure our memories of both of you.
Jeffrey Kuhn from NYC.

Jeffrey Kuhn - July 14, 2024 at 09:42 AM

PS

“ Our thoughts to Tim and the entire family
Patrick Schlitt and Susan Woolcott

Patrick Schlitt - July 12, 2024 at 09:02 PM

JK

“ So sorry for your loss Tim & family.
Your dad sounds like he was an amazing man.

Jane kenyon - July 12, 2024 at 08:31 PM



“ Chris Franklin lit a candle in memory of
Mervin P. Leis



Chris Franklin - July 12, 2024 at 02:04 PM

RL

Mervin was a humble man with a genuine Love for life.

Roy & Lorraine - July 12, 2024 at 07:13 PM

MR

Sincere sympathy from The Richmond Family. Mom had so much respect for Mervin and Lois as long term staff at Linwood School. Mervin was a wonderful man.

Mary Richmon - July 13, 2024 at 11:53 AM

NR

I can still see Mervin play his little man. norman&sharon roes

Norman & Sharon Roes - July 14, 2024 at 10:25 PM

V.

Rob has fond memories of Mervin from Linwood P.S., and we both witnessed his kind and caring personality in our church family. I also know he was kindred friends of my parents...my dad loved to play guitar and sing along with Mervin, as they sung to/for the Lord :). Val Bender

V.Bender - July 16, 2024 at 04:03 PM

TA

Dear Lois, We were saddened when Tim told us the news of your families loss. Often with such news follows a flood of memories and this was certainly the case for us. Our memories include that million dollar smile, always kind and caring greetings from you both, LDPS days, friendship with my parents and many more. We are thinking of you and praying for your comfort in this season. Terry and Kathy Albrecht

Terry Albrecht - July 16, 2024 at 06:20 PM