



Nelson John Zehr

September 7, 1932 - April 2, 2022

ZEHR, Nelson J.-Passed away peacefully in his sleep at St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener on Saturday, April 2, 2022. Nelson of Wellesley in his 90th year. Beloved Husband of 69 years to Barbara "Barb" (nee Roth). Loving Father of Wayne and Doris Zehr of New Hamburg, Dory and Kevin Bearinger of Baden and predeceased by his son Roy (1983). Dear Grandfather of Keith and Candice Zehr of Tavistock, Ryan Zehr of Tavistock, Derek and Victoria Zehr of Listowel, Ashley and Brandon Wysman of Cambridge and Alyssa Bearinger of Baden. Proud Papa of Jordan, Landon, Nathan, Madi, Adam and Leah. He will be sadly missed by many extended family and friends. Predeceased by his parents William S. Zehr and Druscilla Bender. Nelson was born and raised in East Zorra Township.

After marrying in 1952, Nelson and Barb farmed in Wilmot Township every single day for over 70 years. In his words "I Loved Every Minute Of It." In his retirement, he relived his childhood, working the land with his horses. He was a member of the antique tractor club and enjoyed driving from town to town to meet other members. He enjoyed giving sleigh rides to family and friends on the farm and driving one of his antique tractors in the Wellesley Fall Fair parade.

Nelson and Barb enjoyed travelling together to Europe, Hawaii, Vegas, and many other places and trusting the dairy herd to his children. He was an active member of the Schmitdsville coffee club and seniors club. In his pastime, he like to tinker and fix antique tractors in his shop. Nelson was a

faithful member of Steinmann Mennonite Church.

Friends may visit with the family at the Futher-Franklin Funeral Home, 1172 Henry Street, Wellesley on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, from 2-4 & 7-9 p.m.

Interment of will take place at St. Agatha Mennonite Cemetery, on Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 1 p.m. followed by a Service of Remembrance at Steinmann Mennonite Church, 1316 Synder's Road W., Baden at 2:30 p.m. Pastor Steve Drudge and Pastor Sara Erb officiating. The service will be live streamed, and the link will be on Nelson's web page.

If desired, donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com

Donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation

www.heartandstroke.ca

Cemetery Details

St. Agatha Mennonite Cemetery

1967 Erbs Road
Baden, ON N3A 3M3 (CA)

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Futher-Franklin Funeral Home
1172 Henry Street
Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)

Visitation

APR 6. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)

Graveside Burial

APR 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Agatha Mennonite Cemetery
1967 Erbs Road
Baden, ON N3A 3M3 (CA)

Celebration of Life

APR 7. 2:30 PM (ET)

Steinmann Mennonite Church
1316 Snyder Road W.,
Baden, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall



“ *Futher-Franklin Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Nelson John Zehr*



Futher-Franklin Funeral Home - April 06, 2022 at 11:32 AM

CM

In these difficult times with Covid, I am happy that I was able to watch the funeral of our family's friend. Thank you, it was a beautiful service.

Carolyn Mueller - April 07, 2022 at 07:01 PM



“ *Nelson John Zehr*

January 17, 2023 at 11:01 AM

EK

“ *Everyone at GFL Environmental Kitchener purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Nelson John Zehr.*



Everyone at GFL Environmental Kitchener - April 05, 2022 at 10:36 AM

CS

“ We are so sorry for your loss Dory. Thinking of you all during this difficult time. We are just a doorstep away for anything you may need!

Love Always,
Sean, Chris, Owen & Ethan
xxxx



Christina Swiech - April 05, 2022 at 10:15 AM

LG

“ We are so sorry to hear of Nelson's passing. 'May all the wonderful memories you have of him help to ease your sadness and loss.

Our deepest sympathy.
Brian & Linda Greer

Linda Greer - April 04, 2022 at 07:34 PM

VS

“ Our sincere sympathy to the Zehr family on the passing of Nelson. I enjoyed visiting with him at the tractor club breakfast

Sincerely
Vernon Schwass

Vernon Schwass - April 04, 2022 at 06:59 PM

TV

“ My deepest sympathy to Dory and her Family. May your cherished memories help you through this difficult time.
Trish Voisin

Trish Voisin - April 04, 2022 at 03:04 PM

JD

“ We send our heartfelt condolences to Dory, Wayne and your extended families and let you know that our thoughts are with you all. Our group has known Nelson for many years and together we shared many stories, much laughter, lunches and quality time with him. We will all miss our dear friend Nelson.

Walter, John, Peter and the hunting group.

John Donato - April 04, 2022 at 10:05 AM

MF

“ My sincere condolences to Barb and your family. Howard and I enjoyed many good times with you. Playing cards and travelling together. Sending hugs, Myrtle Fierling.



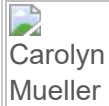
Myrtle Fierling - April 04, 2022 at 08:15 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Nelson John Zehr.



April 04, 2022 at 06:05 AM



“ *Barb and families,*

We are sorry for your loss and sending you hugs and prayers. I have many great memories of our visits growing up.

Carolyn and Jeffrey Mueller



Carolyn Mueller - April 03, 2022 at 09:01 PM

MM

“ *My condolences to the family. Marilyn MacLeod*

Marilyn MacLeod - April 03, 2022 at 07:49 PM

FL

“ *So sorry to here of Nelson’s passing, Floyd says he was a book of knowledge, enjoyed visiting with him many times. Met him many times in Schmidville Mc Donald’s, tracker Club, will surely miss him. Floyd Good.*

Floyd - April 03, 2022 at 05:38 PM



“ *Chris Franklin lit a candle in memory of Nelson John Zehr*



Chris Franklin - April 03, 2022 at 03:05 PM

BR

Your mom and dad were always such a joy to talk to. Always a smile and great sense of humour. Sending hugs to all of the family. Bruce and Wendy Richardson

Bruce and Wendy Richardson - April 04, 2022 at 11:46 AM

MZ

My thoughts & prayers are with you Wayne & Doris & family! Mary Zehr

Mary Zehr - April 06, 2022 at 09:42 PM

BJ

Deepest sympathies! Many great memories of picking pickling corn at the farm! Sending hugs and love from Bonnie & John Jokic,

Bonnie Jokic - April 07, 2022 at 09:47 PM

BJ

Deepest sympathies! Nancy Livingston

Bonnie Jokic - April 07, 2022 at 09:48 PM