



## Orie John Albrecht

August 22, 1942 - February 5, 2024

ALBRECHT, Orie John

Orie passed away peacefully, Monday, February 5, 2024, at Hospice Waterloo Region surrounded by the love of his family; with his wife at his side. In the midst of our grief we give thanks for Orie's release from the grip of a diagnosis he lived with for over 5 years, facing it with such courage, strength and acceptance. Orie will be lovingly remembered by Sandra, his wife of 54 years; his children and grandchildren Pamela Albrecht and David MacLaren and their children, Abigail and Maggie; Angela and Bruce Rohr and their children, Samuel and Jonas, Andrea Albrecht and her son Joshua and his partner Melissa; Lisa Albrecht and Nick Blackburn and their children, Daelia and Tilly. Remembered by his siblings Larry, Sherman and Lorna Blair; brothers- and sisters-in-law Joyce and Wayne Leis, Cheryl and Rodney Erb, Darrell and Shirley Ropp, and Nancy Ellen Nafziger. Also remembered by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents, Lorne and Emma Albrecht, mother- and father-in-law Ivan and Mildred Ropp, brothers-in-law Kevin Ropp and Jim Blair, niece Ginger Ropp.

Orie was born 81 years ago in Wellesley Township at his maternal grandparents' home. Orie grew up on a farm where he loved to work alongside his father. His love of farming was evident through many of his hobbies, which included collecting model tractors and visiting farm shows and events, and led to his first job at a Feed Mill. Orie was a hard worker. In addition to being a longtime employee of JM Schneiders, he drove the

Rockway Bus from Milverton and offered regular help at his father-in-law's hardware store. After retirement, he drove truck (he maintained an AZ licence throughout his life) and worked at Home Hardware.

Orie was a faithful member of Wellesley Mennonite Church where he served in various roles, and actively participated within the church community. He was an enthusiastic volunteer at the New Hamburg Thrift Center, working in the recycling department. Orie was passionate about his hobbies and loved going to toy shows and auctions to grow his collections of model cars, trucks and buy fine China for his wife. He was an avid photographer and loved reading about various historical topics. He took great pride in attending any and all sports and activities in which his beloved grandchildren participated. Orie's family extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Lumsden, Dr. Kuk and the staff at Grand River Hospital for the exceptional care they provided to him throughout his journey with cancer; and to the staff and volunteers at Hospice Waterloo Region for the compassionate care they provided to him and his family in his final days ensuring his passing was peaceful.

Visitation will be held at Wellesley Mennonite Church, 157 David Street, on Friday, February 9 from 2-4pm and 6:30-8:30pm. A celebration of life will be held at Wellesley Mennonite on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 2pm.

Donations can be made in memory of Orie to Hospice Waterloo Region and Wellesley Mennonite Church. The service will be live streamed. Please visit the funeral home website for service link.

Peacefully resting "in the shelter of the Most High" Psalms 91:1

[www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com](http://www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com)

Follow this link to donate to the Hospice Waterloo Region

[www.hospicewaterloo.ca](http://www.hospicewaterloo.ca)

# Cemetery Details

## Parkview Crematorium

Waterloo, ON (CA)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wellesley Mennonite Church  
157 David St  
Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)  
(519) 656-2700

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## Celebration of Life

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FEB **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)  
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*Pastor Clare Lebold officiating*

# Tribute Wall



“ *Futher-Franklin Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Orië John Albrecht*



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**Futher-Franklin Funeral Home** - February 07, 2024 at 11:24 AM

JU

“ *so sorry to hear and that I missed this Orië was a wonderful neighbor to me and John for almost 20 yrs in Wellesley he got a lot of things from our home of the past last yrs we lived there, and I always enjoyed the tree lit up every year at Christmas time and thank you so much for taking the time to write on John's page I miss him, as I am sure you miss Orië every day god bless you and help to heel you and me in time you too where a wonderful neighbor  
Judy*

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**Judy Uuldriks** - February 27, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ *Dear Sandra. I am sorry for your loss. Wishing peace and comfort to you, family and friends at this time. Sandra Gerber (Albrecht)*

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**Sandra Gerber** - February 24, 2024 at 08:15 AM

JJ

“ To Sandra and family I am saddened by the news of Orie having passed away. I wanted to let you all know that even though it has been over 40 years since Orie taught me in Sunday school, he made a lasting impression on me that i will never forget. Those years of being taught by Orie and Clare were so full of humour and learning were some of the best.

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**Jeff Jutzu** - February 16, 2024 at 09:56 AM

EC

“ Dear Sandra  
Our thoughts are with you at this time of grief. Our acquaintance with Orie started years ago through the Rockway bus in which his assistance in driving was most appreciated. He always continued to ask about our children whenever he would meet up with us, so it showed his love and concern for others. Prayers for you and your family as you continue this earthly journey without his presence here. May God always be near you in your grief, your memories, and as you find your way each day.  
Bruce and Esther Cressman

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**Esther Cressman** - February 13, 2024 at 09:07 AM

KM

“ Dear Sandra,  
How saddened Douglas and I became when we learned of the "homegoing" of your dear husband, Orie.  
We extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to you and your family at this time of grieving.  
Heaven is becoming sweeter and sweeter,  
as more and more of our loved ones gather there!  
What a great Hope we have!  
  
Kathy and Doug MacKenzie

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**Kathy MacKenzie** - February 10, 2024 at 04:39 PM

DB

“ Dear Sandra & Family,  
My sincere condolences to you on Orië's passing. May your precious memories from the past help to lighten your sorrow now & in the future. My thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time.

*Doug Bach*

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**Doug Bach** - February 09, 2024 at 02:14 PM

SM

“ Pam & family, Please know that your Stirling community holds each of you closely as you grieve your loss. Peace to each of you. Pat & Steve Manske

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**Steve Manske** - February 09, 2024 at 01:57 PM

SS

“ WE are so sorry to hear about Orië. I'm so glad we got to see him this past summer. He provided us all with a lot laughs.

*Gary and Susan Scheffelmeier*

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**Susan Scheffelmeier** - February 09, 2024 at 12:24 PM

BL

“ Sandra and Family, We are saddened to hear of Orië's passing. Our hearts go out to you as you mourn and celebrate Orië's amazing life. May the happy memories help to ease your pain.

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**Bruce and Jane Leis** - February 09, 2024 at 10:27 AM

EN

“ Dear Sandra, I was saddened by the news of Ori's death. May you be consoled in the loving, healing hands of the Beloved, as you mourn Ori's loss and remember your many beautiful memories. Love and prayers Sandra to you and your family.  
Ellen Nelson

Ellen Nelson - February 09, 2024 at 10:23 AM

DV

“ Sorry to hear the loss of Ori. I worked with Ori at Home Hardware Distribution Center in St. Jacobs for a few years. I remember Ori from having coffee breaks with him and my brother, Eric. Ori was always up for having a conversation. Over the years when I collected Home Hardware trucks I would meet Ori at toy shows and auctions and catch up with him. I will remember him with warm thoughts and a smile. He was a class guy and glad I met him in my life time. Yours sincerely, Dave Verbeek

David Verbeek - February 09, 2024 at 02:27 AM

DY

“ I enjoyed volunteering with Ori. We had a lot of fun. -Don Yantzi

Donald Yantzi - February 08, 2024 at 07:51 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ori John Albrecht.



February 08, 2024 at 10:52 AM

MP

“ Pam, sending heartfelt condolences to you and your family. Your Dad sounded like a very special person to so many. May you and your loved ones find comfort in your fond memories of him. Thinking of you during this difficult time.

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**Michelle Poissant** - February 08, 2024 at 10:48 AM

GB

“ Dear Sandra, I was saddened by the news of Orie's death, a message I received from Susie, one of our Conrad Grebel mutual friends of many years ago. May you be consoled in the loving, healing hands of the Beloved, as you mourn Orie's loss and savour your many beautiful memories.

*Love and prayers, Grace (Gingrich) Brubacher*

*"Say not in grief that he is no more,*

*but say in thankfulness that he was.*

*A death is not the extinguishing of a light,*

*but the putting out of the lamp*

*because the dawn has come."*

*- Rabindranath Tagore*

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**Grace Brubacher** - February 08, 2024 at 10:25 AM



“ *Dear Sandra and family,  
Please accept my deepest sympathies on the death of Orië. I  
remember his great sense of humor and his love for life. May your  
knowledge of God’s love bring you peace and may your memories  
bring you comfort.*  
*Sandy (Brenneman) Skirving*

Sandy Skirving - February 08, 2024 at 07:46 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family  
of Orië John Albrecht.*



February 07, 2024 at 09:00 PM



“ *My Deepest Sympathy to Oriës family he was a pleasure to work  
with and we had lots of good laughs together may all your beautiful  
memories help you through this most diffuclt time*  
*Sincerely*  
*Debra Hines*

Debra Hines - February 07, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ *Beth Rajnovich lit a candle in memory of Orië  
Albrecht*



Beth Rajnovich - February 07, 2024 at 07:40 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Orié John Albrecht.*



February 07, 2024 at 05:50 PM



“ *From Leis Nephews, Cousins and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Orié John Albrecht.*

**From Leis Nephews, Cousins and family** - February 07, 2024 at 05:50 PM



“ *Armen Titizian purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Orié John Albrecht.*



**Armen Titizian** - February 07, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ *So glad we were able to get together this past summer. Orié put a smile on all our faces with his conversation. Condolences to Sandra and family Howard & Bonnie Riddle*

**Howard & Bonnie Riddle** - February 07, 2024 at 02:28 PM

DR

“ *\*While Orie enriched our lives for so many years it just seems it's been cut way to short.  
A better friend you could not have on this beautiful planet. I personally cannot recall a time that after we met and departed where there wasn't a lingering chuckle or contented smile visible on our faces. This departure is different. You are missed my dear friend but we look forward to laughing again "some glad morning"  
Darrell and Shirley , Jill and Trent Carter Zackary and Jeff*

Darrell Ropp - February 07, 2024 at 12:55 PM

KM

“ *Sincere condolences to all of Orie's family Kathryn (Boshart) McDermott*

Kathryn McDermott - February 07, 2024 at 11:56 AM

KM

“ *Kathryn McDermott lit a candle in memory of Orie Albrecht*



Kathryn McDermott - February 07, 2024 at 11:50 AM



“ *Chris Franklin lit a candle in memory of Orie John Albrecht*



Chris Franklin - February 07, 2024 at 11:19 AM