



REMEMBERING
Richard Catton

June 27, 1914 - August 16, 2012



Our Dad, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather and Friend went home to the Lord. He was born in Commerce, Alberta on June 27, 1914 and passed away peacefully at home on Aug 16, 2012 at 98 years of age; following a morning shopping trip to Nelson on the Handi-dart and a cheery ride home with his daughter and son-in-law.

He was predeceased by his loving wife Elizabeth (Betty), parents Antonio & Catterina Cattoi, brothers John and Edward, sisters Inez, Mary, Jean and a great granddaughter Lyla. He will be missed by his sister Lena, sister-in-laws Kay, Elzbieta, Madeleine and Millie, cousin Gabriella, children Robert (Cathy), Catherine (Dan) Wack, Richard (Judy), Gloria (Bernard) Marchildon, Elizabeth (Doug) Ellis, 11 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren, many nephews, nieces and relatives in North America and Europe.

In his early years he worked on the family farm near Lethbridge where he met his future wife, Betty. In 1938, he joined his brother John to work at the Relief Arlington Gold Mine at Erie, B.C.. Carl and Betty were married on September 6, 1938.

The family moved to Crescent Valley in 1942 where he worked on the construction of the Brilliant Dam subsequent to joining the army during WWII. In 1947 while employed by the City of Nelson at the City Power Plant, he became one of the founding members of the IBEW (Local 1003). He still was a member in good standing at the time of his passing. He started his Electrical Contracting business (RC Catton Electric) in Nelson and built his home in 1952 in which to raise their five children. Later he worked as Maintenance Supervisor at NDU, on construction at the 7 Mile Dam and Line Creek and Greenhill Mines.

He was still working as an electrician and consultant well into his eighties. He took

up cooking, canning and baking, 'for something to do' which he was still doing in his nineties.

A very proud moment in his life was representing his community in the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay on April 22, 2012. In this Relay, he was the oldest participant from across Canada.

He was a member of the IBEW (Local 1003) for 65 years, the Eagles (F.O.E.# 22) for 62yrs., a 4th Degree Knight in the Knights of Columbus #1516, and a past member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

