

H. Wade Collins

Wade died peacefully on April 12, 2024, in Victoria BC, after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Ivy, son Dan (Alicia), daughter Heather (Eirik), brother Gary (Lynda), and sister Cheryl (Mel). He was predeceased by his parents, Harvey and Velma, and sister Trudy (Gord).

Wade was born and raised in Regina, Saskatchewan. From a young age, Wade had a talent for fixing things and enjoyed working on engines (large and small). In the early days of their marriage, Wade and Ivy travelled often so Wade could participate in go-kart, snowmobile, and motorcycle races. Wade started working with Roll-O-Flex in 1970, and then accepted a position in prosthetics at Wascana Hospital in 1973. The family settled in Lumsden shortly after.

In 1985, the family moved to Victoria, where Wade eventually purchased his dream home and property. Wade enjoyed watching Dan play hockey and Heather play softball. He spent time at Western Speedway where he sponsored sprint car drivers, and attended Victoria Cougars hockey games to cheer on the players billeted by the family.

Wade opened his own Prosthetic Clinic in 1986, and the whole family pitched in over the years: Ivy managed the office, Dan worked as a technician, and Heather provided janitorial services. Wade loved helping others and greatly enjoyed interacting with his patients. It was difficult to convince him to retire, but he finally decided he was ready in 2014, at age 68. Wade donated his prosthetic equipment and supplies to the Compassionate Resource Warehouse, and the items were shipped overseas to deliver prosthetic services to those in need.

In his retirement, Wade enjoyed puttering around the yard on

his mini-excavator, working on his project vehicles in the garage, travelling with Ivy, visiting Dan and Alicia in Nova Scotia, and spending time with his cats.

Wade was a kind man who loved to make people laugh, and he often shared stories about the many adventures he had throughout his life. The family is grateful for these memories.

Thank you to all of the medical professionals who were involved in Wade's care. A special thank you to Dr. David Woodley for his kindness, compassion, and support for Wade over the years.

No service will be held. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to [Parkinson Wellness Projects](#) (PWP) or an animal welfare organization.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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