

Kenneth (Ken) Albert Himes (Sr) CD WO (Ret'd)



Ken Himes CD, was born in 1932 in Fort William, Ont. and although he fought for every breath before he died, he passed away on the 16th of January 2015. Ken was predeceased by his daughter, Chrystal Celeste; his brother, Walter and his former wife, Doreen. He is survived by his beloved wife, Beverly, estranged son, Ken Jr.; daughter, Coral (Steve); grandchildren, Steven, Andrew and Adam; his stepson, Tim (Michelle); stepdaughter, Tracy (Byron); half-brothers, Steve (Patty) and Albert; his grandchild, Nicole; his great grandchildren, Ava, Liam and Finn and his "West Coast Kids", Derek and Pat.



Ken had many careers during his life, including owning the Sleeping Giant Dairy in Thunder Bay Ont. but his heart was always with the military. Ken joined the Royal Canadian Regiment in Winnipeg and after basic training in 1953, was sent to Korea. He fought at the Battle of Hill 187, where 27 members of his company were lost, including his best friend. Ken retired from the service as a Warrant Officer and in 1983, he joined the Korean Veteran's Association (KVA). In his 30+ years with the KVA, he assisted with the opening of new KVA chapters in Sault Ste Marie and Minnesota and was the Sergeant at Arms for the Pacific Region. He returned to Korea with fellow veterans for the 50th Anniversary of the Korean Armistice. Ken had many honours bestowed upon him during his life, including being a life member of the General John M. Rockingham Memorial Unit # 1 and was an Honorary Member of the U.S. Marines.

Thank you to Dr. Jong and the nurses, caregivers and support staff at Birch Cottage, Heritage Woods for their compassionate

care.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 91 in Langford on the Thursday, the 22nd of January from 1pm until 4pm. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Alzheimer's Society in Ken's name. He will be missed by friends and family. Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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