TOM

Tom made his first appearance in life a chilly December day in 1930. He was born on a farm 18 miles east of Viking, Alberta. He attended a one room rural school and worked on his parent’s farm with his five brothers and two sisters. When the war started many of his siblings joined the armed forces which meant the farm was short on help. His family sold the farm and moved right into Viking. From Viking he came to Edmonton once the war was over. He became very involved with an Anglican Church where he sang in the choir. This began his life with the church. Tom has plenty of schooling under his belt with a degree in theology and a degree in education. For ten years he used his theology degree working in a parish. Then he proceeded to use his education degree to teach children with special needs in a public school for 28 years. He married his wife in 1959 and had a daughter and son. His family has now blossomed with his three grandchildren and two great grandchildren. At Grandview, Tom enjoys participating in a wide variety of activities that include anything that challenges his body and mind.

TED

Ted grew up in Germany in the countryside nestled between where two beautiful rivers meet. He often swam in the river as a pastime when growing up. Ted loved Germany, especially because the schools were fantastic. He went to university to get a degree in agriculture since he has always has a love of the outdoors. Once in Canada he married Martha and began his family. Now that Ted is at Grandview, he enjoys joining in sporting activities, bingo, and happy hour (where he enjoys a glass or two of red wine!)

JOKE OF THE DAY

There once was a wizard. This wizard walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate and drank very little, which made him rather frail and he suffered from notoriously bad breath. This made him... A super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.
WALTER

Walter was born in 1932 in a small, mountainous hamlet of Czechoslovakia. In the 1940’s, Walter and his family moved to Germany where he raised honeybees for around 18 years. After living in Germany, his adventures in life changed course to Canada in July 1954.

Walter moved going from job to job with farming, construction, and CN Railways in Quebec, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and Alberta. He discovered photography as a passion while in Vancouver due to the beauty of Stanley Park. Walter “kept on going and never quit.” He now spends his days at Grandview participating in sporting activities, art, and religious gatherings.

MARGARET A.

Margaret was born in August of 1926 in a little town called Michael Bay, England. She worked as a nurse in England. This is where she met her husband. She moved to Canada to seek job opportunities for her husband as an occupational therapist. Once in Canada she had two girls and one boy. In her spare time she lived a very active life. She enjoyed swimming, participating in exercise classes, and her absolute favourite was tennis. She would play tennis often with her husband. Now that Margaret is at Grandview she enjoys participating in sing alongs, happy hour, and the occasional discussion group.

MARY N.

Mary was born in Wasaga Beach, Ontario. She grew up on a cattle farm with her large family of 8 children. Mary was the second youngest. Mary considers this to be the best days of her life. Once completed school she went to post-secondary to become a hair dresser. She began work in Stayner, Ontario. This is where she met her husband. Mary herself also had a large family of her own which included 4 boys and 2 girls. In her spare time she enjoys dancing, sewing, skating, and eating any chocolate and sweets she can get her hands on! Now that Mary is at Grandview she enjoys taking part in music programs and a few select sporting activities.

OLGA

Olga was born right here in Edmonton, Alberta. She completed most of her schooling in Stony Plain. Her biggest accomplishment was attending McTavish Business College for typing and shorthand. Olga married in 1954 and started her family of 4 children, all girls. In her spare time Olga loved to cook and especially loved to bake. Her children were always coming home to eat and fill their freezers of mom’s cooking. She is a phenomenal cook. She now spends her time at Grandview joining in any program available. She just loves being social and keeping busy!

CHARLIE

Charlie was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba. At 17 years old he joined the cadets. That was the start of his extensive career with the Air Force. He was both a pilot (of a two seater plane) and an airplane mechanic throughout his career. During a short break in the war he married the love of his life and had a couple of children. Other than planes, Charlie’s hobbies include swimming, basketball, and spending time with his best friend, a little grey dog named Peanut. Now that he is at Grandview his hobbies include going to sporting, painting, and musical activities. He especially enjoys special events and entertainment.
DAVID T.

David was born in 1925 right here in Edmonton at the Misericordia hospital. He grew up with his four siblings, two that were older and two younger. His hobbies included riding his bike, woodworking, helping out in the garden, looking after and riding his teacher’s horses. Once David graduated grade 12 he went to school out in Toronto and took a few courses. After his courses were completed, he joined the Navy as a stoker, however, he did not have to go to sea because the war was ending. That was when he decided to start his career with CN Railway. David married the “light of his life” and had three children, two boys and one girl. Now that he is at Grandview he enjoys taking part in any program involving music (He knows all the words to most songs and has a beautiful singing voice that he shares with us often.)

BILL

Bill was born in 1939 in Spruce grove, Alberta. He grew up on a farm with all animals “from soup to nuts” but mostly cows, pigs, and chickens. Bill attended a country school two miles from home from grades 1-9. He had to cut across rolling farm lands and avoid the occasional dog protecting the land. Bill lived a very active life of playing baseball and curling. Within his baseball “career” as a catcher in his teens, his team won the Alberta Junior Championship three years in a row. When Bill was ready to get a job a family friend helped him out. Bill’s first job was at the University of Alberta hospital clearing trays from rooms for 7 ½ years. After that adventure was done he moved onto a career of driving. Between his jobs of being a tow truck, taxi cab, and ambulance driver; Bill spent most of his life out on the road. Now that Bill is at Grandview he enjoys joining in on every program available.

LEO

Leo was born “80 some years ago” in Hong Kong, China. He grew up an only child with soccer as a main form of entertainment in his spare time. Leo moved to London, England to attend university to pursue his dreams of becoming an electronic engineer specializing in aviation. Once graduated he worked in an airport to assist with the newest technology used in the aircrafts. When the cost of living increased in England, he moved to Canada with his wife and two children. He had always dreamed of returning to England, but for now he will remain a happy resident of Grandview who enjoys joining in on sporting activities and many arts/crafts projects.

DARLENE

Darlene grew up in Hamilton, Ontario. Once married she moved to Germany. Everything was so different! Her hobbies included riding her bike, playing squash, and a lot of skiing. They stayed there for about six years before moving back to Canada. She stayed in Ontario for only a short time before moving to British Columbia. Once there she went to school to upgrade her high school classes so she could apply to British Columbia Institute of Technology. She got accepted into the robotics facility however she did not feel it suited her and changed over to computers. That schooling came in handy when she got a job in Kamloops with The Grocery People training people on computers. When offered a job in Edmonton, Darlene took the opportunity. Now that she is at Grandview she enjoys joining in with yoga, trivia, and discussion groups.

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