



## Mr. Robert Waddell Wallace

March 7, 1924 - August 22, 2019

Mr. Robert Wallace of Nanton, AB passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at the South Health Campus on August 22, 2019 at the age of 95 years.

Bob was born to parents Boyd and Mary Wallace on March 7, 1924 in Big Timber, Montana, USA. He was raised on his parent's ranch in Montana until age 4, then on their ranch west of Nanton. He was conscripted to WWII at age 18 and trained in the Royal Canadian Navy (Telegrapher). He crossed the Atlantic eight times during his three-year service on convoy C-7 HMCS Hawkesbury corvette escort ship. He also signed up to continue fighting Japan, but shortly after, WWII had ended.

Bob returned home to ranch, married Doris and raised his family on the Bridges Place, 12 miles west of Nanton. He retired in 2001. He was a lifetime member of the Nanton Masonic Lodge and the oldest surviving veteran member of the Nanton Legion Branch #80.

Bob's cattle were his passion and memories of his Navy years were always in his heart.

Bob is survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Doris (nee Cooke) whom he married in 1950; daughter Margaret (Rod) Olson; son David (Lil) Wallace, son Jim Wallace as well as grandchildren Greg, Carrie McKenzie, Daniel Hitchner, Calvin, Erik and Grant Wallace; eight great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents Boyd & Mary Wallace, baby boy Timothy Wallace, siblings John Wallace, Harriet Wingert (Pence), Jean Greig and nephews Roy Pence, Jan Greig and Wally Pence.

Memorial Donations can be made to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #80, P.O. Box 299, Nanton, AB T0L 1R0.

Funeral Service was held on Friday, August 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the Nanton United Church, 2121 – 21st Street, Nanton, AB T0L 1R0. Reception to follow.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass)  
403.652.4242.

# Events

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**AUG**   **Celebration of Life Service**02:00PM

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Nanton / Parkland United Church  
2121 21 Street, Nanton, AB, CA

# Comments

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“ Doris and family, we were so sorry to hear of Bob’s passing. We will always think of him fondly. He was a great neighbour and good friend.

**Bruce and Shaune Peterson** - September 08, 2019 at 08:56 PM

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“ Glenda Cutforth lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Waddell Wallace



**Glenda Cutforth** - September 04, 2019 at 10:05 PM

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“ To Doris and family,  
My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you today but we will all have the many happy memories of having known such a special man as Bob. How blessed we are to have had him in our lives as a family member or an uplifting friend. He will leave a great void  
for us all. Connie-Marie de Grandmaison

**Constance de Grandmaison** - September 01, 2019 at 12:07 PM

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“ Our sympathy is extended to Bob’s family.  
Duane and Lois Duncan

**duane duncan** - August 30, 2019 at 09:36 AM

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“ Dear Doris, Margaret, David, Jim and all of Bob’s loved ones —we are so sorry you have had to say goodbye to your wonderful man. We always enjoyed Bob and Doris ‘ company, and loved his appreciation of Wendell calling him a “fussy old fart” when we delivered his meals to him. We will miss him very much, and hope that your wonderful memories over the years will help you through this painful time. Sincerely,  
Wendell and Maureen Strong.

**maureen strong** - August 28, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ He was a great guy and will be missed by all that knew him...

**Ted Kyte** - August 29, 2019 at 12:19 PM

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“ Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Waddell Wallace



**Eunice Schmuland** - August 28, 2019 at 12:47 PM



“ Thinking of you all at this difficult time - many wonderful memories to cherish

**Eunice Schmuland** - August 28, 2019 at 12:48 PM

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“ I know he's swinging away in heaven looking out for us.

**Calvin Wallace** - August 27, 2019 at 05:54 PM



“ He certainly did like to sit for hours on the deck on the swing, didn't he.

**Liliana Wallace** - August 27, 2019 at 07:24 PM

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“ Doris, Margaret, David, Jim and Families,  
May your memories keep him close. Our thoughts are with you  
Violet and Jerry Kautz

**Violet & Jerry Kautz** - August 27, 2019 at 08:25 AM

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“ Our sympathy to the whole family. Wishing that all your happy memories will help to  
heal your hearts.

**Glen and Leona Ransom** - August 27, 2019 at 12:03 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss, our thoughts are with you.  
Dan and Jackie Sawley.

Dan and Jackie Sawley - August 26, 2019 at 07:57 PM

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“ Dear Doris and Family,  
We were saddened to hear of Bob's passing although we knew he was leaving the house less and less. We always enjoyed Bob's and your company whenever we were fortunate enough to sit at your table at Legion or other community functions. Bob's sense of humor was second to none, always providing great enjoyment. You should be very proud that Bob was the last surviving WWII veteran in the Nanton Legion Branch #80, and one who proudly rose on occasion of being recognized. May your memories of happy times spent together as a family bring you comfort now as well as in the future. You have much to celebrate from the 95 years that Bob lived, something many are denied. Terry will be at the service on Friday, however I will not. I had made plans to be in Edmonton with my granddaughters for one last day before school starts. Our sincerest sympathies on your loss.  
Terry and Patty Atkinson



Terry and Patty Atkinson - August 26, 2019 at 07:12 PM