



## Mr. Roy Randolph McLean

May 28, 1939 - March 18, 2019

Mr. Roy McLean of Pekisko, Alberta passed away peacefully with family at his side at the Vulcan Extendicare on March 18, 2019 at the age of 79 years. Roy is survived by his loving wife Lenore; sons Mike (Lee), Tim (Chantal), and Joe (Meghan); siblings Shirley, Lorna (Tom Poole) and Don (Kathy); grandchildren Duncan, Iain, Cait (Lee), Sam, Will, Grace, Joey, Ellie and Roy as well as numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Roy was born in Bath, New Brunswick on May 28, 1939 to Rex and Daisy McLean. In 1942 his Great Uncle, Dean Pritchard brought the young family west to help out with his ranch in the Pekisko area.

He attended Springdale School just east of the home ranch quarter, High River High School and graduated from Olds School of Agriculture.

Roy met Lenore Bews while riding in the High River Parade. The best dressed “cowboy” and “cowgirl” were married on October 28, 1959 and raised three boys on Stimson Creek Ranch.

Roy’s father Rex passed away suddenly in 1967 and Roy stepped up to be patriarch of the family helping his mother and siblings while running the family ranch. His brother Don became a partner in the business in 1978. Roy guided the family ranch through the economic chaos and drought of the 1980’s as well as the changing fabric of agriculture during the 1990’s and 2000’s. On his 66th birthday Roy was forced into retirement after being severely injured doing what he loved. He was able to recover to enjoy time at home and his community before moving into extended care in 2017.

Roy was an active member of his community. He loved music and singing. Household parties weren’t complete until he led his spirited rendition of “On Top of Old Smokey”. Roy’s community involvement included the “Longview Players”, 4-H, Alberta Cattle Commission delegate and serving on local boards and committees. Roy was a founding

member of the Friends of the Bar U Historic Ranch Association and was one of the key players in the creation of the headquarters of the ranch becoming a National Historic Site. He was elected an MD of Foothills Councilor in 1989 and served as Reeve from 2000 until his retirement in 2010.

Roy has received numerous awards for his community work including the Alberta Centennial medal he was awarded in 2005 for his outstanding service to the people and province.

In 2017 the Calgary Stampede and BMO Farm Family Awards recognized Roy and Lenore McLean for their outstanding contribution to agriculture in their community.

If desired memorial donations may be made to the High River District Health Care Foundation (560 – 9th Ave. SW, High River, T1V 1B3) or the Vulcan Extencicare (Box 810, Vulcan, Ab, T0L 2B0).

A Funeral Service was held on Thursday, March 28th at 1:00 p.m. at the Highwood Memorial Centre in High River (128 – 5th Ave. W).

To send condolences and view Roy's Tribute Page please visit <http://www.lylereeves.com> . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Highwood Cemetery**

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28**

**Funeral Service**

01:00PM

High River, AB,

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Highwood Memorial Centre

128-5th Avenue SW, High River, AB, CA, T1V

# Comments

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“ Our condolences to you Lenore, and your wonderful family.  
Deryl and Sandy Rowland

**Sandy Rowland** - May 06, 2019 at 01:24 PM

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“ Lenore and family,  
It is an incredible loss to the community with Roy's passing. He was such a mentor for me as I had the honour to see Roy's passion and commitment to community firsthand when I spent countless hours at MD council. Roy always carried himself with such class, character and integrity. Men like Roy and Flores are my role models and if I can emulate them in a small way I will consider my political career a success. Louise and I apologize for not being able to attend the memorial, but our thoughts are with you and the family.  
All the best,  
John and Louise Barlow

**John Barlow** - May 03, 2019 at 09:06 PM

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“ To Lenore and family, we were very sad to hear about Roy's passing. It was a pleasure getting to know the two of you these past summers at Spruce Meadows. Thinking of you, love Suzanne and Nicole Burns.

**Suzanne Burns** - April 08, 2019 at 04:11 PM

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“ Roy McLean will be sadly missed. He was a wonderful man with a great heart. Love and peace to all his family.

Kind regards Pat Goettler

**Pat Goettler** - April 08, 2019 at 02:51 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of your loss.  
A very kind and welcoming man.  
Peace to Roy, Lenore, and family.

Sincerely, Brenda Towler (Roy and Mary Louise's daughter)



**Brenda Towler** - April 07, 2019 at 09:45 AM

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“ To Lenore and Family, We were truly saddened to hear of Roy's passing. He was such a great friend, neighbor and representative of Pekisko and the Associations he so willingly worked for.  
Please accept our Deepest Sympathy and know that our thoughts are with all of you.  
Pat and Chuck Brearley

**Pat Brearley** - March 29, 2019 at 11:38 AM

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“ My family was very fortunate to have Roy as the riding instructor for the Meadowbank 4H Horse Club for many years. Roy was always fair, positive and encouraging with the kids. He was a friend to them and a role model. He gave them a firm foundation in horsemanship and leadership skills. Thank you, Roy. We also had great respect for Roy as our MD councillor. Our deepest sympathy to the family. Dianne Emerson, Scott Emerson and Erin Emerson Maddox

**Dianne Emerson** - March 28, 2019 at 01:37 PM

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“ The Foothills would not be the same if not for the McLean Family. Roy was a great man. Rest Well Sir.  
From the girls at the Pioneer Barber Shoppe.



**Dee Green** - March 28, 2019 at 01:23 PM

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“ My sincerest condolences to Lenore and family.



**Carol Lyall** - March 28, 2019 at 11:35 AM

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“ Lenore and family please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss of Roy who was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and brother.  
I am proud to have served on many boards and committees with Roy McLean. He was thoughtful, shared sage advice and was a true champion of MD of Foothills. He was a tireless worker and community steward. Rest well, our friend.



**Gerry and Glenda Cutforth** - March 27, 2019 at 11:30 PM

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“ It mattered not, if you knew him as a friend or a rancher, a councillor or reeve, or maybe as a cowboy on a tall dark horse, he was a gentleman.

Wayne and Vicky McGonigle

**Wayne McGonigle** - March 27, 2019 at 09:27 PM

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“ Lenore and Family - I will always remember your kindness and support during my time at the Bar U. Folks like Roy and all of your family are what keeps Alberta Ranching history strong and alive.

Don Mickle

**Don Mickle** - March 27, 2019 at 07:56 PM

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“ Carole Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Carole Malmberg** - March 27, 2019 at 06:39 PM

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“ Lenore, Mike, Tim, Joe and families, Please accept my sincere condolences on Roy's passing. He was a true gentleman, a fine community leader and a great neighbour. His example will be remembered.

Patrick Stiles

**pr stiles** - March 27, 2019 at 05:07 PM

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“ To Lenore and family, Thinking of all of you and sending our condolences at this sad time with the huge loss of Roy - another part of an end of a great era. Debbie Thomas (NS), Heather Rasmussen (NU) and Cathy Rasmussen (YT)

**Debbie Thomas** - March 26, 2019 at 02:59 PM

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“ Grace & Sam Ledoux lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Grace & Sam Ledoux** - March 26, 2019 at 01:36 PM

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“ Our condolences to you, Lenore & your family.

**Chuck & Lorraine Groeneveld** - March 26, 2019 at 12:57 PM

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“ The entire community's respect for Roy speaks volumes to the man. A treasured friend who treated all of us with open honesty and fairness. Deepest sympathy to Lenore and family.

Richard and Doreen Wambeke

**Richard Wambeke** - March 26, 2019 at 12:55 PM

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“ Lenore and Family, Please accept our sincere sympathy on the loss of Roy. What a great man he was. Sending you all big hugs.

Ross and Roberta Hazen

**Ross & Roberta** - March 25, 2019 at 11:41 PM

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“ Karen Foley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Karen Foley** - March 25, 2019 at 09:12 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Lenore and family xo. Hugs, kathy.

**kathy Niemans** - March 25, 2019 at 06:30 PM

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“ Honest, patient and honorable in a world that somehow lacks those important values. He was one of the most important heroes in my life and I am so blessed to have known Roy and worked with him. From Wayne and I, we send our prayers and condolences to you, Lenore and all of your family. His passing leaves a huge hole in my heart so I know you will all experience great loss. May all his love and hard work in the community come back to you all ten fold and ease your grief.

**Gwen & Wayne Blatz** - March 25, 2019 at 02:03 PM

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“ Maureen & Ray Moncrieff lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Maureen & Ray Moncrieff** - March 24, 2019 at 04:03 PM

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“ THE COMMUNITY HAS LOST A GOOD MAN A GENTLE SOUL AND A TRUE GENTLEMAN RIP MY FRIEND MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU LENORE AND ALL THE FAMILY ROY WAS LOVED BY MANY AND RESPECTED BY ALL

**Doreen Brown** - March 23, 2019 at 05:41 PM



“ Sadly, Alex and Val have received this news- with our heartfelt sympathies to you and family.

**Val and Alex Shaw** - March 23, 2019 at 08:04 PM



“ Lenore Sorry for your loss. Condolences to you & your family. I will miss chatting with Roy & you on your visits.

**Norma** - March 24, 2019 at 09:53 AM



“ Lenore and Family Our community has lost a great friend and caring individual. Roy was a hard worker for the people in his community and represented each one. A life well lived leaves its gentle pattern on the hearts of all who knew Roy. The world is a better place because Roy touched it with warmth and goodness and grace. our sincere sympathy alice and bud and cheryl wyatt

**alice** - March 24, 2019 at 06:37 PM

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“ Bill Dunn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Bill Dunn** - March 23, 2019 at 02:57 PM



“ My heart is saddened to hear of the passing of this very dear, longtime friend. Roy will be missed and remembered for so many wonderful reasons and the light of his life will continue to shine for a very long time. What a help and supporter he was in endeavoring to remember the history of our foothills region. Sending my love and deepest sympathy to you dear Lenore, and all of the family. May Roy's memory give you peace and comfort in this difficult time of saying goodbye to your loved one. Blessings on you all, with affection, Bill

**Bill** - March 23, 2019 at 03:09 PM

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“ I’m so sorry to hear this sad news. My deepest heartfelt condolences Lenore and family. I have many fond memories of Roy. Sending my love and hugs. Jo-Anne Feddema

**Jo Feddema** - March 23, 2019 at 10:43 AM

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“ Robert And Marilyn Howe lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Robert and Marilyn Howe** - March 23, 2019 at 10:04 AM



“ I’m so sorry to hear this sad news. My deepest heartfelt condolences Lenore and family. I have many fond memories of Roy. Sending my love and hugs. Jo-Anne Feddema

**Jo-Anne Feddema** - March 23, 2019 at 10:40 AM

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“ Very very sorry to hear of Roy's passing. Peace to Roy, Lenore and family. Brenda Towler (daughter of Roy and Mary Louise Feddema (Bews))

**Brenda Towler** - March 23, 2019 at 12:44 AM

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“ Much love to the entire family. My thoughts are with you all. Joylaine Graves (Davis) and family



**Joylaine Graves** - March 22, 2019 at 10:58 PM

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“ Kathy & Barry Cuthbertson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Kathy & Barry Cuthbertson** - March 22, 2019 at 09:32 PM

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“ Our Thoughts & Prayers are with you all, Hugs & Blessings  
Tom & Marilyn Curry

**Tom & Marilyn Curry** - March 22, 2019 at 05:50 PM

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“ Lynda Cowling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**lynda cowling** - March 22, 2019 at 05:20 PM



“ Lenore and family,  
We are so sorry to read of Roy's death. He was a true gentleman and a great asset to his community especially in his role as one of the founders of the Bar U National Historic Site. He will be missed.

Don and Joyce Moore

**Donald Moore** - April 06, 2019 at 11:19 AM

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“ Verne And Lynda Coate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Verne and Lynda Coate** - March 22, 2019 at 04:06 PM

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“ Cyril And Bev Norrie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Cyril and Bev Norrie** - March 22, 2019 at 03:04 PM

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“ Linda Walsh lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Linda Walsh** - March 22, 2019 at 01:52 PM

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“ Gord Colliar lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Gord Colliar** - March 22, 2019 at 01:09 PM

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“ Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Eunice Schmuland** - March 22, 2019 at 12:30 PM

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“ A wonderful man, who was the epitome of old time style and charm. Very committed to the area and it's residents. Our thoughts are with the family. Russell & Lydia Skeet.

**Russell Skeet** - March 22, 2019 at 12:14 PM

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“ A mentor for me on council and from way back all the great times we had at Pekisko in Tom's arena. Our thoughts are with all the family. Ralph and Jacquie Nelson.

**Ralph Nelson** - March 22, 2019 at 12:06 PM

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“ To the McLean family - My sincere sympathy. I am very sorry for your loss.

**Lisa Madsen** - March 22, 2019 at 11:47 AM

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“ Sincere condolences to the McLean family. Steve always enjoyed visiting with Roy when he was out shoeing the horses.

**Steve and Bev Bennett** - March 22, 2019 at 11:23 AM

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“ To all the McLean family our sincere condolences on the passing of Roy. He would always tip his hat and say hi wherever you were. Roy has left some wonderful legacies and many great memories for all to remember and they will help you get through the tough times that lie ahead.  
Sincere Sympathy Len and Pat Zebedee

**Pat Zebedee** - March 22, 2019 at 10:04 AM

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“ Lawrence/Sheila Storoschuk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Lawrence/Sheila Storoschuk** - March 22, 2019 at 09:31 AM

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“ Rhonda Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Rhonda Wilson** - March 21, 2019 at 08:37 PM

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“ It has been a pleasure, and honor to have known Roy for many years, through his family, ranching, Meadowbank Light Horse 4H, M.D. council, and a very good neighbour. We extend our sincere condolences to the entire McLean family.  
Ted and Barb Harty

**Ted & Barb Harty** - March 21, 2019 at 06:23 PM

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“ Penni Tebbs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Penni Tebbs** - March 21, 2019 at 05:01 PM



“ Deepest condolences to the family. Roy was a good man.

**Penni Tebbs** - March 21, 2019 at 05:03 PM



“ Such a great guy. A real boss to everyone.

**Gerald Muri** - March 21, 2019 at 10:28 PM



“ Our condolences, thoughts and prayers are with the all the McLean Families.  
Keith and Sheila Wilson.

**Keith and Sheila Wilson** - March 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Thoughts and prayers with his family. Lynda Cowling

**lynda cowling** - March 22, 2019 at 05:23 PM



“ Our blessings are with Leonora and the McLean family . Don & Joan Wilson

**Don Wilson** - March 22, 2019 at 09:49 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers to Lenore and family.

**Bert Ager** - March 23, 2019 at 11:10 PM



“ My Thoughts and Prayers are with the family. Julie Walker & Family

**Julie Walker** - March 25, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ Condolences to the McLean families. We didn't know Roy but we've heard great things about him from family and FRIENDS OF THE BAR U. Al and Della

**Al Dickie** - March 27, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“ Gordon & Sharon Wagner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Gordon & Sharon Wagner** - March 21, 2019 at 04:50 PM

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“ My deepest condolences



**Anna-Marie Plante** - March 21, 2019 at 04:44 PM

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“ Regina Reti lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Regina Reti** - March 21, 2019 at 03:12 PM



“ Life in the Foothills is better because of the contributions made by Roy McLean. My condolences to all Roy's family members.

**Regina Reti** - March 21, 2019 at 03:14 PM

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“ Shannon Armstrong lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Shannon Armstrong** - March 21, 2019 at 03:10 PM

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“ Callahan Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Callahan Family** - March 21, 2019 at 02:31 PM

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“ Donna Downey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Donna Downey** - March 21, 2019 at 12:49 PM

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“ My thoughts are with the entire McLean Family. When I think of Roy, I think of a passionate community man, who wanted to make a difference and that he did. Roy was an admired and strong leader that had his own unique quiet style. He has left a significant impact on the Foothills community and will be remembered fondly by many. May your memories help to ease the pain in the days ahead. With deepest sympathy, Cathy Couey



**Cathy Couey** - March 21, 2019 at 12:42 PM

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“ Our thoughts are with all of the McLean family with the loss of such a great man. I have great memories of spending lots of time hanging out with Tim and the family when I was younger and always enjoyed my conversations with Roy at 4H, brandings and other community events. Appreciated his sense of humour and his love for the agriculture lifestyle! He will be missed as a great neighbor and advocate for our community and we will miss seeing his maroon&white jeep driving around “the block” everyday!

Keith and Rhonda Longson

**Keith Longson** - March 21, 2019 at 11:24 AM

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“ My very sincere thoughts go to all the McLean's, Lenora, boys , Shirley, Lorna, Don and families. Roy was always such a gentle spirit to talk to and I know his presence will be greatly missed. Rest well Roy, you have earned it well.

**Connie L. Jewell** - March 21, 2019 at 11:12 AM

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“ Karen Foley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Karen Foley** - March 21, 2019 at 11:10 AM

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“ Rhonda Bews lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Rhonda Bews** - March 21, 2019 at 10:05 AM

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“ Athena lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Athena** - March 21, 2019 at 08:59 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Roy’s passing. Our prayers are with Lenore, Mike, Tim, Joe and and the McLean extended family.



**Marcel & Gisela Levesque** - March 21, 2019 at 12:58 AM

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“ A loss to the community. Roy gave so much of himself, to make our area a better place. I have always respected him. He was a true gentleman rancher. Lenore, you were always at his side, in support. My prayers to you and your family and to Lorna, Shirley and Don. A big void has been left.

**Elaine Mason** - March 21, 2019 at 12:13 AM

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“ Lenore and family, we are saddened to learn of Roy's passing and our deepest sympathies to all of you.

**Fran & Rusty Wong**

**Frances A Wong** - March 20, 2019 at 11:00 PM

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“ Deepest Sympathy Lenore and family in the loss of Roy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. George and Judy



**Judy Groeneveld** - March 20, 2019 at 08:53 PM

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“ Our sincere condolences to the McLean family.

The Watson's

**Brent Watson** - March 20, 2019 at 08:14 PM

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“ Lenore, we are surprised to hear of Roy's passing. We would to extend our condolences to you and your family at such a trying time. Roy did a lot for the Foothills area and it was greatly appreciated and he was highly respected.

**Lenard Biscope** - March 20, 2019 at 08:06 PM

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“ Sending our deepest thought and prayers, at this difficult time to Lenore, Mike, Tim and Joe, their wives and children. Shirley, Lorne and Don and families. We have sent a donation in Roy's name to the Summerfield Cemetery. Love Barbara, Mary Ann, James Peters and the rest of our families. James has great memories of the McLean family and the ranch, as well as do Barb and myself.

**Mary Ann Peters** - March 20, 2019 at 07:31 PM

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“ Have fond memories of Roy and Lenore dancing up a storm at Meadowbank, hauling myself and horse back and forth to 4-H and a listening ear sharing stories of my father Joe. My deepest condolences to the McLean family; in all of its entirety.  
Lorie Howe



**Lorie Howe** - March 20, 2019 at 05:52 PM

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“ I have so many great memories of Roy on Council. He was always so very supportive of me which I so appreciated. Roy was just the best darned neighbor anyone could ask for. Shane and I will miss him very much.  
Sincerely  
Shane and Theresa Chipchase

**Theresa Chipchase** - March 20, 2019 at 03:25 PM

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“ So sad to hear of Roy's passing. Grew up with Tim, Mike and Joe, always admired his sense of humour when we hung out at the McLean's, our thoughts are with you all at this difficult time.

**Jerry & Dail Howe** - March 20, 2019 at 01:58 PM

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“ The Bedsons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**The Bedsons** - March 20, 2019 at 12:58 PM

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“ Our sincerest condolences to the McLean family.

**Carleen & Jack Bil** - March 20, 2019 at 11:22 AM

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“ Sincere condolences to Lenore and the family. So sad to learn of your loss. Roy was a formidable figure and we always enjoyed visiting. May those good memories give you all strength during these difficult times. Tony and Debbie Webster

**Tony and Debbie Webster** - March 20, 2019 at 11:10 AM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Lenore.  
Jeanette Patton



**Jeanette Patton** - March 20, 2019 at 10:57 AM

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“ Our condolences to the McLean family, Roy was a pillar of the community and a strong voice in agriculture. He will be greatly missed!

**Kelly & Llana Malmberg** - March 20, 2019 at 09:55 AM

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“ Sharon Doll lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Sharon Doll** - March 20, 2019 at 09:28 AM

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“ My deepest condolences to Lenore, & all your family. Roy was true Country Gentleman, & will always be remembered as a great friend & family man, his big smile & always ready for a great visit & conversation, all the very best to everyone,  
Bert Montgomery

**Bert Montgomery** - March 20, 2019 at 08:50 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Dale and Linda Longson



Linda Longson - March 19, 2019 at 10:57 PM

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“ Our condolences to you Lenore and to your family. I have known Roy for 63 years as he was one of the first people I met when I moved to this area in 1956. Roy was a very good neighbour, was well known and respected in this community, and I am pleased to have had him as a friend. He was a pleasure to do business with and we will miss him.

Cecil and Nancy

Nancy Longson - March 19, 2019 at 10:48 PM

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“ Jackie and I were saddened to hear of Roy's passing. He certainly was a true gentleman as others have pointed out. My first recollection of Roy was when I was around eight and he would've been around 12. Another cousin was 'picking on me' . Roy made him stop! We are on our way to England but wish to convey our condolences to Lenore, Shirley, Lorna, Don and the rest of his family.

With heartfelt sympathy,  
Jackie and Jim

Jackie and Jim Lunn - March 19, 2019 at 05:44 PM

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“ Charlene Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Randolph McLean



**Charlene Malmberg** - March 19, 2019 at 04:28 PM

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“ Roy, I've never met a truer gentleman than yourself. An honest, hard working and genuine man. I have nothing but the utmost respect for you, you were an amazing Councillor and Reeve who truly cared for his community and the people in it. You will be missed on so many different levels, but I will always think of you and the memories I have of you fondly. My prayers go out to your family and your lovely wife.

**Heather McInnes** - March 19, 2019 at 03:15 PM