



Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson

June 11, 1939 - December 3, 2021

Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson of Nanton, Alberta passed away at the High River Hospital on December 3, 2021 at the age of 82 years.

Terry was born at the Nanton Hospital June 11, 1939 to parents Tom and Nellie Atkinson. He was the first of his siblings to be born in a hospital, and was the only son. He had four older sisters: Molly, Mrs. Stanley Scarlett; Shirley, Mrs. John Hay; Doris, Mrs. JR Blake; and Nina Lucy, Mrs. Ed McArthur, all of whom have predeceased him. The family wasn't completed until Terry's baby sister, Anita, Mrs. Doug McCully was born. Anita survives Terry, as do many nieces, nephews and their children.

Also surviving Terry are his 3 daughters and their families. Kelli, Mrs. Larry Robley; their eldest son, Tanner, his wife, Lacey, and their 3 boys, Tucker, Lawson and Ty, all of Sylvan Lake; Kelli and Larry's second son, Logan and partner, Sara of Vernon; Terry's second daughter, Robyn Wilson and her son Cole of Calgary; Terry's youngest daughter, Danee Atkinson, and her partner, Graham Fox of High River as well as Graham's daughter, Alexie. Terry is also survived by the mother of his daughters, Joy Eld of Nanton, AB.

Also left to mourn Terry's passing is his wife of 22 years, Patty, as well as her daughter, Kaye and Trevor Moran and their girls, Emily and Ryann of Edmonton.

Terry was a proud Nantonite, and a great supporter of his community. He owned and operated a tire shop for 47+ years, retiring in Feb. of 2018 when he sold to his great-nephew. He not only considered those who came to his shop as customers, they were valued friends. He was proud to say he built his business on service.

Terry's community involvement included being the charter president of the Nanton Promoters; serving on the MacLeod Savings and Credit Union board of directors as vice-president and president; being on the volunteer fire and ambulance service from 1961-1984; serving on the Nanton Golf Course board of directors at two separate eras in his life, the last time as president. He was a member of the Nanton Economic Development Committee, Nanton Main Street Committee, Nanton Community Bus Society, Nanton Legion, as well as being on the committee that planned Nanton's first Roundup Days that took place in 1967 in recognition of Canada's centennial.

Although he wished he would have known how much fun retirement would be, he did enjoy many cruises, trips to Hostfest in Minot, ND, old time music jamborees, and several winters in Yuma, AZ. Terry's real passion was in searching for a "deal", buying and selling a multitude of vehicles. He would readily admit he owned too many vehicles at any one time. One of his last projects was creating a book to document the vehicles he could remember owning and licensing throughout the years. This numbered around 125.

He will be missed by numerous friends, but he will be greatly missed by his family!

Memorial donations may be made to the Nanton Community Emergency Fund (Box 1182, Nanton, AB T0L 1R0) or the Nanton Handivan Society.

A Celebration of Terry's Life was held on Saturday, December 11th at 2:00 p.m. at the Nanton Community Centre. The service video is now available on Terry's Tribute Page.

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

DEC 11. 2:00 PM (MT)

Nanton Community Centre
21st Ave & 18th Street
Nanton, AB T0L 1R0 (CA)

Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson*



Lyle Reeves Funerals - December 09, 2021 at 10:48 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the family for your loss. Terry was always friendly, helpful and ready to chat.*
Clay and Avril Chattaway

Avril Chattaway - January 08, 2022 at 07:22 PM



“ *Thinking of all who loved Terry at this difficult time.*



Shannon Laycraft - December 28, 2021 at 01:48 PM

ML

“ Eric and I are so very sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I will always deeply appreciate his kindness and friendship. His commitment to the community was incredible - he shared his time and talents to make Nanton a better place. Terry will be sadly missed, but his legacy will continue to live on in the projects and people he was involved with. Offering sincere condolences and wishing you comfort and strength during this difficult time.

Monique LeBlanc-IsBell

Monique LeBlanc-IsBell - December 22, 2021 at 11:05 PM

LM

“ So sorry to hear of Terry's passing. I'll always remember Terry as a no nonsense, fun loving guy. He was one of the first people I met when we moved to Nanton in 1987, and I am glad I got to know him. Condolences to Patti and all of Terry's family.

Lex McDougall

Lex McDougall - December 17, 2021 at 07:54 PM

CW

“ Kelli, Robyn and Danee , our thoughts are with you. Your house was like a 2nd home to me and both your mom and dad always made me feel welcome. Hugs to you all.

Cathy and Neil Waters

Cathy and Neil Waters - December 14, 2021 at 06:04 PM



TM

“ I just want to extend my deepest sympathies and thoughts to you, Patti, Kelli, Robyn, Danee. I couldn't attend today in person but was able to catch the live stream, thanks to technology I am grateful for that. I have many fond memories of my days at Terry's Tire. it was a big thing Terry did for my dad in hiring me and I carry a lot of life lessons with me today from those days. I would say every one of them good ones, hopefully your dad felt the same as me. He was my first boss and my most memorable. I have been fortunate to have had my own employees and been even more fortunate to pass on words of wisdom I was given by Terry. The word peckerhead will live on I can assure you guys. I could go on but I won't, just know you come from good stock and Terry will always be there in some way or other.

Tim Morrison

Tim Morrison - December 11, 2021 at 07:00 PM

MW

“ Condolences to all in Terry's circle. And it was a big one. Truly a community icon, we'll all miss him.

Bonnie and Morgan Wilson

Morgan Wilson - December 11, 2021 at 05:23 PM

GH

“ We will miss going to the Silver Slate with you and Terry for good old fashioned steak. Terry had that great sense of humour and awesome positive nature. He always looked life right in the eye and then did what was right. We are so sad but thankful to have been friends and count the wonderful get together a as good times. Our hearts, thoughts, support for Patty now and in the future.
Garry & Bonnie Hoffart, Salmon Arm

Garry Hoffart - December 11, 2021 at 04:25 PM

DB

“ *Robyn, we are so sorry for the loss of your father. Please accept our condolences to you and your family. Our thoughts are with you.*
Doreen and Martin

Doreen Broderick - December 11, 2021 at 03:40 PM

SD

“ *Sincere condolences to the entire family, friends and each of whom have great memories of Terry. May he RIP . From Shelley Davies (nee Sears)*



Shelley Davies - December 10, 2021 at 11:59 PM

DS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss Patti , Kelly, Robyn and Danni. Cliff was remembering that Terri was one of is first friends when he first moved to Nanton over 60 years ago. He will be so missed. Cliff and Dianne*

Dianne Slade - December 10, 2021 at 08:45 PM

LO

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with Patti and the family with the passing of Terry, may he Rest In Peace. Tom and Louise Attwood*



LouiseAttwood - December 10, 2021 at 02:50 PM

CF

“ Dear Patty, Kelli, Robyn, Danee and families,

Our sincere condolences in the loss of Terry. Terry was a larger than life fellow, who was all about making Nanton a better place. His stories and sense of humor could be counted on to make your day. Terry will truly be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely Carol Evans and family.

carol evans and family - December 09, 2021 at 11:16 PM

DB

“ Sending our most heartfelt sympathies in your loss of Terry. “Big smiles”, “Good Stories”and “ a Fixture of Nanton”, pretty well sum up our memories of Terry too! May your fond memories and the love of those around you bring comfort during the days ahead.

Sincerely, Darryl and Linda Beagrie

Darryl and Linda Beagrie - December 09, 2021 at 02:34 PM

BL

“ Barb Lyall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson



Barb Lyall - December 09, 2021 at 11:19 AM

RM

“ Sincere condolences to you Patty and your family.
Terry was just a " Great Guy" . He was a school buddy and a good friend he will be missed. May you cherish the many memories of all the great times you have had together.

Roy and Colleen McPeak

Roy McPeak - December 08, 2021 at 06:48 PM

 Cheryl Friesen

“ Terry was big smiles, good stories, laughter, gum boots and words of wisdom.....”When you tie your shoes and you see that the bow is towards the inside of your shoe, you may be a little chubby!” Point taken my friend!

With warmest condolences to Patty and the Atkinson family. May the love you shared and the memories of Terry bring you comfort during this sad time.

Think of you, Cheryl Friesen

Cheryl Friesen - December 08, 2021 at 02:38 PM

DW

“ Patty and the extended Atkinson Family,

Sending our sincere condolences at the news of Terry’s passing. You never walked away from a conversation with Terry without a smile on your face about something he said, or the way he had said it. He had a way of making a chance encounter brighten the day. May the peace of God support you as you grieve his loss. He will be missed.

Dave and Wendy Williams

Dave and Wendy Williams - December 08, 2021 at 01:21 PM

MS

“ *My deepest sympathy to you Patty and your family. Terry always had such a big smile and truly enjoyed life.*



Margaret Scarlett - December 08, 2021 at 10:04 AM

JB

“ *Jack & I are saddened to hear of Terry's passing. Our thoughts & prayers are with you Patty & family. in this difficult time. Terry will be greatly miss by a lot of people. With our deepest sympathy. Jack, Mila & family*

John &, Mila Baird - December 07, 2021 at 10:58 PM

JB

“ *John & Mila Baird lit a candle in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson*



John & Mila Baird - December 07, 2021 at 10:50 PM

DA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Don and Lynda Arendt - December 07, 2021 at 08:14 PM

DA

Didn't do this right , as your names should have come up,! You know my techie talents , Patty ! Had such a wonderful Irish cruise with you and Terry -

Don and Lynda Arendt - December 07, 2021 at 08:18 PM

PA

Never once thought this would be our last cruise together. 😭

Patty - December 08, 2021 at 01:56 AM



Patty and family, sending comfort hugs and our condolences. Remember the Great times, good laughs Awesome memories camping, golfing, dancing.

Gord & Elaine Poulton

RIP Terry

E - December 08, 2021 at 06:05 PM

DA

“ *Yuma will never be the same without Terry and his big smile . We loved his jokes and saying whatever he thought ! The room lit up with Terry entering - many laughs , card games and good times we had together ! These memories will be treasured by us forever , and we feel so blessed to have known him . We felt you two were so appreciative of each other ; discovered this on our last cruise with you and Terry, and felt the love in the air ! Terry was a kind and caring man , and we hope all your good times and memories will help you through this difficult time , Patrica , as Terry called you! Our deepest condolences to you and your family*

Don and Lynda Arendt - December 07, 2021 at 08:11 PM

VM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time*

My sincere condolences Patty

Velda McGuire

Velda McGuire - December 07, 2021 at 07:10 PM

MG

“ *My most sincere condolences to you and your family, Patty. I know how dearly you cared for Terry, and how happy you both always looked when together. I can see it in the pictures you've posted here. How special that is. I wish you peace through these next days. Thinking of you.*

Michelle Glavine

Michelle Glavine - December 07, 2021 at 05:42 PM

RG

Our deepest condolences to you and your family. We really enjoyed our visits in Yuma and getting to know Terry. What a remarkable guy he was and so involved in his community. His "larger than life" personality and consideration of others will be missed by so many. We know you have so many good memories and hope they will get you through this difficult time. Hugs 💕 Sharon and Rick

Rick and Sharon Girard - December 07, 2021 at 06:24 PM

CC

“ *My deepest sympathy to Patty and the Atkinson Family.*



Cathy Couey - December 07, 2021 at 04:19 PM

RR

“ So sorry to hear the news Patti, our sincere condolences to you and your families. May the special memories give you peace and comfort in the coming days.
Sincerely Renne and Trevor



Renne Reidy - December 07, 2021 at 03:53 PM

PA

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:06 PM

PA

Bryce or Zion Canyon

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:55 PM

PA

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:04 PM

PA

Terry's last Integra Tire AGM. He always made sure we had a good time no matter where we went!

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:57 PM

PA

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:03 PM

PA

Dan and Serena Smith, Terry and I at the Rose Bowl Parade. Great time!

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:56 PM

PA

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:02 PM

PA

He had to fold the mirrors in to drive through, but he had to do it because he had done it when he brought his daughters through this same tree. I don't think you could have slid a piece of paper between the trunk of the tree and the vehicle!

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 12:58 PM

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:59 AM

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:55 AM

PA

Terry's Yuma golf team, the same four guys were together from 2010 - 2020 Al Roberts, Don Arendt, Terry, Ralph Tjostheim

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 01:00 PM

DA

What a team they were ! Don loved his Monday AM golf with this bunch

Don and Lynda Arendt - December 07, 2021 at 08:23 PM

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:42 AM

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Bruce Smith, Terry, Ralph Tjostheim, Don Mair in Castlegaar, BC

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 03:46 PM

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:37 AM

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Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:36 AM

KC

“ *Terry's Tire - synonymous with caring, service, and giving back! You will be missed, and sincerely remembered for making Nanton a better community.*

Patty, and family- hugs 🤗 and much love for the great memories to surround you.

Dick and Karen



karen crawford - December 07, 2021 at 09:51 AM

VK

“ *May your memories keep Terry close. May he Rest In Peace.*

Violet & Jerry Kautz - December 07, 2021 at 08:09 AM

AW

“ *Ashli & Mark Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson*



Ashli & Mark Wright - December 07, 2021 at 02:09 AM

JB

“ *Jan Butler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson*



Jan Butler - December 06, 2021 at 11:10 PM

VR

“ *Valerie Robinsin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Terence Edwin Atkinson*



Valerie Robinsin - December 06, 2021 at 08:42 PM

DW

“ *Patty: David says if more of those vehicles had been Fords, Terry wouldn't have needed 125!! He was a great guy and David always enjoyed the banter about vehicles! Love to you and all the family. The Whitlows', Diane and David*

Diane Whitlow - December 06, 2021 at 07:08 PM

PA

David will have to come and go through Terry's book of vehicles. In the beginning there were more Fords than anything, but he'd tell David he got wise as the years went on!

Patty - December 07, 2021 at 11:11 AM

DH

“ *I went to school with Terry and visited him many times at Terry's Tire Town once i was back in North America. He was always a good friend and happy to get together. He will be sorely missed. All the best to remaining family.*
Doug Hamilton

Doug Hamilton - December 06, 2021 at 06:28 PM

CD

“ *Our condolences to Patty and family. Always remember Terry as one of the morning coffee guys. Also Patty the good times we had together in Arizona. Chuck & Darlene*

Chuck & Darlene - December 06, 2021 at 05:45 PM

MW

“ *Thinking of you with sincere sympathy at this sad time. Patti, Kelli, Robyn, Danee and families I know you will have many memories to remind you of Terry. My thought's and prayers are with you. Marlyn Wright*

Marlyn Wright - December 06, 2021 at 03:51 PM

JN

“ *My sincere condolences to Patty; Kelli, Robyn, Danee and families on such a huge loss - Terry was a large presence in Nanton and had the ability to make most of us smile.*

Joanne Notdorft

Joanne Notdorft - December 06, 2021 at 01:45 PM

SM

“ *Terry was such a Nanton "fixture" that he will leave a big gap. I first knew him as a tire-fixer "extroidenaire" and really appreciated his expertise. You'll have lots of memories of your time together so please dwell on the best ones. Best wishes to all of the family.*



Sheila Macklin - December 06, 2021 at 10:31 AM

LJ

“ *My condolences to all the family. Terry was an awesome person, and will be greatly missed by so many.*

Lynn Johnson - December 06, 2021 at 01:08 AM