



Mr. Thomas Philip Bews

March 26, 1925 - August 24, 2013

Philip Bews of High River passed away on August 24, 2013 at the High River Hospital at the age of 88 years. Philip is survived by his wife Nellie; daughter Alice (John) Weston of Malaysia and son Jack (Rhonda) Bews of High River; grandchildren John Philip Weston, Shaelynn Nicole Bews and Cody Austin Bews.

Philip was born in High River, Alberta to John & Alice Bews and completed all of his schooling in the area. Philip married Nellie in 1956 and they lived on the family homestead where Philip was born. They raised their children and ran a mixed farming operation up until their retirement when they moved into High River. Phil was looking forward to the 100th Anniversary of the Bews homestead next year.

Funeral Mass was held on Thursday, August 29th at 11:00 a.m. at the St. James Catholic Church in Okotoks (338 Ave. and 32nd Street East, Okotoks).

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the High River Hospital (2nd Floor) 560 9th Ave. SW, High River, Alberta, T1V 1B3 or the St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church. To send condolences and view Philip's Tribute Page please visit www.lylereeves.com . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

AUG **29**. 11:00 AM (MT)

St. James Catholic Church
338th Ave & 32nd Street East
Okotoks, AB T1S 1A3 (CA)

Tribute Wall

HC

“ I was so sorry to hear of Phil's passing. Phil and Nellie saw two "crazy Easterners" building our house down the road from them and took us in hand. They taught us how to grow our garden and how to raise chickens. Then they had to show us how to can, and freeze, and pickle, and cut meat. Our children learned to be responsible for their animals and to love country life. I remember wild adventures skating on the Highwood while Phil fired up the camp stove to thaw us out. The kids have great memories of riding their bikes down to Nellie for cookies. Phil was a great influence in the girls' music and took great interest in their years in the Senator Riley High Band. With sincere sympathy to Nellie and the family,
Helena Clute

Helena Clute - September 14, 2013 at 11:42 PM

MS

“ Sorry to have heard the news of Phil's passing. Thinking of you all at this time and sending my condolences. Having lived just down the road from them, I recall spending many afternoons at the old farmstead with Phil and Nellie. My sister and I loved playing with the piglets, baby chicks and kittens as well as Patches the old farm dog. Phil always allowed us to cuddle with those baby animals. We would wrap them up in our shirts and cuddle them until it was time to go. We loved helping with the chores and feeding the animals and then coming in for juice and cookies. To this day when I have a sugar cookie I always recall those days at the farm. Thinking of you all.
Meipsy Shackelford (nee Clute)

Meipsy Shackelford - September 14, 2013 at 08:20 PM

KC

“ I'd like to send my condolence's to the Bews family. Having grown up down the road from Phil & Nellie I have fond memories of visiting & enjoying all the adventures on the farm. We loved holding the piglets & then having a good hearty dinner, followed by Nellie's famous sugar cookies. My heart is with The Bews family during the loss of Phil & I will continue to treasure the special memories.
Sincerely, Tina Clute (Campbell River, BC)

Kristina Clute - September 14, 2013 at 06:45 PM

JB

“ I would like to send condolences to Alice and Jack and Nellie on Phil's recent passing. Phil and Nellie were great friends of my in-laws, (Bo and Alex) and were god parents to our youngest child, Ken. Although time has distanced us, they were always good friends. Sorry I could not see you for the funeral, as I was out of town.

Sincerely,

Jean Burgess

Jean Burgess - August 30, 2013 at 03:10 PM

FA

“ Sincere Sympathy to you Jack, Rhonda, Shaelynn and Cody on the passing of your Dad and Grandfather. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time of grieving. Sincerely,
Luther, Fawn, Savanna & Shyanne Dougherty

Fawn - August 28, 2013 at 12:53 PM

SH

“ Sincere Sympathy on the passing of Philip. Only knowing him for a short time, while at Medicine Tree Manor, I enjoyed his many wonderful stories and laughter. God Bless Everyone.
Sandy Heavens

Sandy Heavens - August 28, 2013 at 12:46 AM

DB

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Phil. I remember going out to the farm many times when we were young with mom and dad. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with the family

Doug and Cathy Bradley - August 26, 2013 at 03:38 PM

BH

“ I played in the army militia band with Phil. I was just a kid. I had some visits with him when he was a resident at the Medicine Tree Place and on Second Floor at the hospital. He still enjoyed his music. I'll miss this quiet, sincere man. I'm sorry for your loss.

Bill Holmes - August 26, 2013 at 07:43 AM

CB

“ Sorry for the loss of your Dad. He was such a quiet, pleasant man as I visited with him. May God's comforting presence be with you. You are in my thoughts and Prayers. ~ Chaplain Virginia

Chaplain Virginia Battiste - August 25, 2013 at 10:05 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you
Jack, Rhonda, Shaelynn and Cody.*

Randy, Carrie, Brody and Adam Irwin



carrie irwin - August 24, 2013 at 11:52 PM