

IN MEMORY



Joseph Laurent Lagacé February 5, 1933 - February 21, 2023



On February 21, 2023, Joseph Laurent (Larry) Lagace, beloved husband of Bernadette Lagace (1937-2004), passed peacefully at the age of 90. On February 5, 1933, Larry was born in a small New Brunswick fishing village of Belledune and raised in Pointe Verte.

At 19, he joined the Canadian Forces. In 1952, he was deployed to Korea as a Combat Engineer - his proudest moment of being in the military.

In 1956, Larry and Bernadette fell in love and married in October, thus starting a lifelong adventure of family and postings. In late summer, 1957 they had their first child. Shortly after, in 1958 with child in hand, they moved to Shilo, MB, and finished having their family of four.

Larry's final posting was in Winnipeg in 1970. In 1975, Dad retired as Master Warrant Officer, bought his first and only home in Charleswood and gave his family stability. Dad worked for the public sector, on base, and retired in 1995. He enjoyed retirement with his love, Bernadette. Larry and Bernie made St. Charles Parish their special place as Eucharistic Ministers.

He also enjoyed the Knights of Columbus, Korean Veterans Association, baseball, curling and making sure our mom was not adding barbeque sauce on his food - he was very fussy. He also had the great pleasure of watching his family grow with the addition of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Indeed, just two weeks prior to his death, the family came together to celebrate his 90th birthday at Deer Lodge.

He passed as all soldiers should - with respect and honour. He was escorted from his room by his grandson, an Afghanistan Veteran, with the Canadian Flag draped over his body and given a final salute. He was a member in good standing with the LGen R.R. Crabbe Chapter of the Canadian Association of Veteran United Nations Peacekeeping.

May He Rest in Peace