

In Loving Memory of

JIM FRIESEN

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, January 30, 2023 at 11:00 am
Rhineland Christian Fellowship Church, Rhineland, SK

OFFICIATING – Pastor Tim Knelsen

PIANIST – Beatrice Peters

HYMNS – *“In the Garden,” “Precious Memories,”*
and *“How Great Thou Art”*

SPECIAL MUSIC – *“God of the Mountain”*

Jennifer Friesen and Kevin Friesen

EULOGY – Kurt & Luona Penner

TRIBUTES – Jim’s Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

USHERS – Gordon Peters and Frank Rempel

PALLBEARERS – Amanda Vooyo, Anthony Meggait,
Andrew Meggait, Alyssa Blok, Jennifer Friesen,
Andrea Friesen, Kevin Friesen, Kristen Friesen,
Melanie Friesen, Ken Friesen, Gordon Schimmel,
Diana Bauman, Kevin Bauman, James Schimmel,
Sarah Schimmel, and Corey Schimmel

INTERMENT – Immediately following the funeral service
Rhineland Cemetery, Rhineland, SK

LUNCHEON – Following the interment service

DONATIONS – Cypress Hills Bible Camp

ARRANGEMENTS – Swift Current Funeral Home



JIM FRIESEN

1926 – 2023

Jim Friesen, age 96, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at Cypress House, Swift Current, SK.

James “Jim” Peter Friesen was born on November 11, 1926 to Jacob & Catherine Friesen on the family farm near Schoenfeld, SK.

Growing up on a farm in the depression era with seven siblings, Jim quickly learned the value of hard work and ingenuity. Whether it was carpentry, calving, or handling farm equipment, Jim could fix just about anything and became quite a skilled young man.

Maybe it was these skills that caught the attention of a young Mary Ens, and they were married on July 15, 1951. A new life began and Jim & Mary were blessed with five children – Virginia, Dale, Phyllis, Glen, and Luona.

In 1961, he moved his family to the farmyard east of the village, where he lived until moving to his condo in Swift Current. In the winter, Jim loved to build and tinker in his workshop. He built benches and was an excellent cabinet maker.

But life wasn't always just work, he enjoyed hockey and was an excellent player. The rest of the year he was your typical farmer – always helpful to his neighbors and always on the go. If you wanted to keep up with Jim, you had to walk fast.

Jim also enjoyed traveling, especially to warm climates, and visiting family and friends in Canada and the United States.

Faith was incredibly important to Jim and he was baptized on May 27, 1951. He became a member of the Rhineland Church, taught Sunday School, was involved for many years at Cypress Bible Camp. He made it a priority to teach his children about Jesus and his family was a testimony to godly parenting.

Jim is survived by his children and their families, son-in-law, Jim Meggait, and his children, Amanda Vooys (Corwin and Sam), Anthony (Bev) Meggait (Davis, Elijah, Silas, Levi, Trinity, Elora, Boaz, and Chason), Andrew (Erin) Meggait (Simon and Kalia), Alyssa (Derek) Blok (Kaylee, Noah, Gavin, and Lillian); his son, Dale (Marlene) Friesen, and their children, Jennifer Friesen, Andrea Friesen, Melanie (Ken) Friesen (Jacob, Noah, and Natalie), Kevin (Kristin) Friesen (Tofino and Judah); his daughter, Phyllis (Jack) Schimmel, and their children, Gordon (Linda) Schimmel (Harry, Kim, Dana, and Illiana), Diana (Kevin) Baumann (Ian and Braden), Jimmy (Sarah) Schimmel (Isla), and Corey Schimmel; his daughter, Luona (Kurt) Penner; his brother, John; and by many extended family members and friends.

Jim was predeceased by his wife, Mary Friesen; his children, Virginia Meggait and Glen Friesen; his great-grandson, Kohen Meggait; his parents, Jacob & Catherine; and by his siblings, Henry, Wilfred, George, Helen, Elma, and Mary.