



GRIFFIN - John Edward Griffin

was born on Friday September 9, 1921 in the Alameda District of Saskatchewan to Charles and Mabel (nee Dies) Griffin. John passed away on Wednesday February 9, 2022 at the Centennial Special Care Home in Langenburg at the age of 100 years and 5 months. John lived in the Alameda area until he was twelve, when he and his father went north to find hay. They settled in the Orcadia District and built a sod house for the family to join them. John took his final year of school, grade 8, in the Fone Hill School, and after that he worked on the family farm. John was a cook in the army at the Halifax Base during the Second World War. John was united in Holy Matrimony to Elsie Steinke in 1950, and had two sons, Charles and Glen. In 1953 John, his father, and his brother, Albert bought three

quarters of land together north of Churchbridge. In 1961 John, Elsie, and their sons bought their own farm a few miles further north, where they lived until 2007 when they moved to Yorkton. In 2009, John lost the love of his life, Elsie. He continued to live in Yorkton until 2017, when he moved to The Manor in Churchbridge. John lived on his own until July of 2021, just 2 months before his 100th birthday, when he had a fall which ultimately put him in the care home. John worked very hard all his life, but he also found time to enjoy himself. John and Elsie loved their children, grandchildren, and then great-grandchildren. John and Elsie's love of children extended past their own, they were active with the youth of the church, and were very happy to extend their family to the youngest Schultz girls, who were like the daughters they never had. John was a devout Christian, and an active member of the Church of God. John and Elsie loved to travel in their camper van. John had a very large interest in electronics, he completed a diploma by correspondence in 1948 from the National Radio Institute. John designed and installed the sound system in the Churchbridge Arena when it was built. John was an avid reader, in his later years he spent most of his free time reading. He loved to learn. He even took courses at the Parkland College in technology in his early eighties, learning about computers. John loved to collect things, he had extensive collections of coins, stamps, books, and radio equipment. John had an extremely close relationship with his sister, Evelyn. The two spoke on the phone every night. John was predeceased by his beloved wife, Elsie; his parents, daughter-in-law, Donna; his brother, Albert (Esther); his brother-in-law, Campbell Atcheson; and his sister, Luella at age two. John leaves to celebrate his long life his sons, Charles and Glen; his sister, Evelyn Atcheson; his grandchildren, Cara (Craig), Morgan (Jocelyn), Kyle, Jordi (Danny); his great-grandchildren, Kori, Weston, Nicole, Adam, Emily, and Olivia; and by his extended family and friends that mirrored family. A graveside funeral service was held on Saturday February 19, 2022 in the Churchbridge Town Cemetery with Jason E. Kopan serving as the Celebrant and Morgan Griffin, Kyle Griffin, Lyle Griffin, Jason Yanky, Jerry Sorrel, and Mel Smith serving as the Pallbearers. Those so wishing to make a charitable contribution in memory of the Late John Griffin may do so with a gift to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Saskatchewan #1011 University Drive Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 0K4 306-244-5700 www.rmh.sk.ca Kopan's Funeral Service is honoured to have been entrusted with funeral arrangements. 306-783-0099 www.kopans.ca