In Memory of

John McGregor Olmstead

Obituary for John McGregor Olmstead

Surrounded by love and respect, John McGregor Olmstead in his 71st year, passed peacefully at the Renfrew Victoria Hospital on Saturday, March 1st, 2025. Beloved son of the late George and Muriel Olmstead (Buttle). Much loved husband of Susan Kuzela. Proud father of Jennifer (Nathan) and Christopher (Sarah). Mourned by the Kuzela family, Kyle (Cheryl) and Luke (Maiya). Cherished Poppa of Reid, Jack, Della, Sadie, George, Sloane, Rhett and Lucy. Best friend and brother of Bert (Sharon) and Beattie (Julie). Loving Uncle of Rebecca, Sarah, Emily, Ian and their families. John was adored by his Aunts, Uncles and many cousins. A good pal to many.

Despite being born premature and fed through an eye dropper to survive, he was built tough. A hard-working man, never without a job and a full day's work. Like his father, he was the Renfrew County 4H Seed Fair Champion. He cleaned up on the Renfrew County Fair circuit with the Grand Champion Purebred Hereford, named Circle R Empress. Not long after college John worked for Pittsburg Paint and Glass, this is where he found his talent for salesmanship. John was a well known and respected member of Renfrew business community where he co-opened Ottawa Valley Glass. He then went on to open his own shop, Renfrew Glass, where he proudly installed and serviced 1000's of windows and doors all throughout the Ottawa Valley. His ability to deconstruct and then construct just about anything was unmatched. His family will miss being able to call him for a helping hand.

A celebration of John's life will take place at the Renfrew Legion on Sunday, March 16th from 1:00-5:00 pm. There will be a chance to share stories and fond memories of John.

In John's memory please consider a donation to the **Renfrew Victoria Hospital**

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