

REMEMBERING

Joaquim (Jack) Fontinha

November 3, 1933 - April 22, 2016



Joaquim (Jack) Rosa Fontinha, born in Faro, Algarve, Portugal on November 3, 1933, died peacefully after a brief illness on April 22, 2016 in Oliver, B.C. at the age of 82.

Joaquim was predeceased by his parents: João Fontinha and Isabel Rosa do Carmo Fontinha. He is loved and will be remembered by: his wife, Maria Francisca, Oliver; his brother, Crisostimo Fontinha, sister Maria Madalena Pereira, and nephews and nieces in Algarve, Portugal; daughter Celia (Roger) Thomas, Oliver; sons Carlos (Christine) Fontinha and Walter (Lisa) Fontinha, Penticton; and grandchildren Daniel, Matthew (Charlotte), Lenae (Ben), Jordan, Kurtis, Rachel, Jodie, Jared and Sierra.

Some of Joaquim's greatest joys were family occasions with children and grandchildren gathered around. He enjoyed visiting and playings cards with friends. He loved inventing or redesigning machinery for specialized purposes; it was fulfilling for him to make things stronger or better.

A welder by trade and orchardist by profession, Jack contributed to the economy of the South Okanagan for several decades. He was a long-time member of the Oliver Curling Club and also of the Portuguese Club in Oliver where he served terms as a director and president.

In the words of a family friend: He'll be remembered "as a good-humoured mechanical genius - a hard-working family guy…'

A funeral mass will be officiated by Fr. Neil Lustado at 11:00 am Wednesday May 4, 2016 at Christ the King Catholic Church.Interment and committal will follow at the Oliver Municipal Cemetery. A reception in the church lower hall will follow the interment.

Condolences and tributes may be directed to the family by visiting

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Arrangements entrusted to Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium. Oliver & Osoyoos.

