

REMEMBERING Terry Yusep

May 25, 1935 - January 16, 2012



Terry (TY) Yusep, of Osoyoos, passed away on Monday, January 16, 2012 in the South Okanagan General Hospital after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Vegreville, Alberta, May 25, 1935, to Wasyl (W.A.) and Lena Yusep, Terry was a gentleman and a talented golfer; he, his father and brother Rudy owned the Rialto Hotel (Breeze Pub) for 33 years. The Yusep family bought the Rialto Hotel in 1946 and sold the property in 1979, the hotel caught fire in 1994 and was rebuilt as the Burrowing Owl Pub in 1996 and is now known as the Breeze Pub.

Terry attended elementary school in Osoyoos, high school in Oliver, worked for the Department of Highways (Survey Dept) stationed in Revelstoke, owned and operated a import/export company, was one of the greatest bartenders in the Bamboo Room of the Rialto Hotel, and created the business centre of the Ambulance, Lordco, MacDonalds, A & W, and the 7-11 Convenience Store at the intersection of Hwy 97 and Hwy 33. Terry was an avid golfer - proudly offering practice suggestions to anyone who was interested in the game. He loved the outdoors, fishing, and exploring local areas with a creek, stream or lake.

Terry is survived by his partner of 25 years Carol; daughters Nicole (Jason), Carolyn (Michael) and family; Carol's son Chad; grandchildren Sophia & Bodin, brother Elmer (Gloria) Yusep; nieces Maylee (Arthur) Rubinstein, Danya (Ralph) Stapleton, Chelsea Yusep, and Tiffany Martino; nephews Tony (Carla) Martino, Bill Jr, Dorey, Chad Martino; Carol's family, Lori (Bob) and Howard (Lorraine) of Smithers, B.C.

The family service will be on Saturday, January 21, 2012. The Celebration of Life for Terry will be held in the spring at the Osoyoos Golf and Country Club. The family is creating a Terry Yusep Foundation for Junior Golf, donations may be made at Interior Savings, Osoyoos Branch.

Condolences and tributes may be directed to the family by visiting www.nunes-pottinger.com

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

