



AXELSON - (Stig) Allan Axelson – formerly of Scandia and beloved husband of Betty Ann Axelson, passed away in Brooks on Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at the age of 90 years. Allan was born in Almundsyrd, Sweden on October 23, 1926. He came to Scandia on June 7, 1928, at the age of 18 months with his Mother and Father. Allan married Betty Bloomquist on October 2, 1954. Allan and Betty farmed and lived in the Scandia area for many years, where they raised their family: 1 son, and 2 daughters. He loved farming from a young age. Allan loved mixed farming and gardening on his own Dairy farm and that was evident in his hard working hands. Cattle

dogs were a big part of Allan's life helping work his cattle. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, curling and woodworking. A lot of his family are fortunate to have items made by him which they will always cherish. Allan's love of music whether it be in a duet, quartet or choir were a big part of his life, too. All of Allan's life, it was important to carry on Swedish traditions such as the Jullotta church service and Christmas Eve traditional meal, including this past Christmas the Swedish meal was enjoyed by Allan. He was dedicated and volunteered many hours throughout the years on church and community projects. In later years, he loved going to senior coffee group to keep up with the farming news and to reminisce with friends. Allan had a kind, gentle spirit, and a sense of humour that stayed with him. In 2012, Allan and Betty moved to Brooks Newbrook Lodge, then Allan made a move to Continuing Care Unit in the fall of 2014. Scandia was always still considered HOME.

Allan was predeceased by his parents, Ernest and Esther Axelson; sister, Ruby, brother, Rune and his wife, Jean, in-laws Harold and Agnes Bloomquist; brother-in-law, Bud Bloomquist, sister-in-laws, Betty and Bertha Bloomquist. His surviving family are his wife, Betty and his children, Loretta (Ralph) Welzel, Janet (Larry) Wagner, David (Debbie) Axelson and his 8 grandsons and 6 granddaughters and 16 great-grandchildren; Dennis (Tania) Welzel, Anthony Welzel, Nicole (Jeremy) Doll and family, Kevin Wagner, Michelle (Ian) McNiven and family, Adam (Jana) Axelson and family, Amy (JR) Stenger and family, and Ashley (Joey) Bilsky and family. Allan is also survived by one sister, Doris (Cliff) Anderson, Rune's friend, Barb Gruszkie, as well as several cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Funeral Services were held February 21, 2017 at Salem Lutheran Church in Scandia, Alta., Rev. Jakob Pillibeit officiated. Honorary Pallbearers were all his Granddaughters, family and friends. Active Pallbearers were all his grandsons. In memory of Allan, if friends desire, memorial tributes may be made to the charity of their choice. Thank you to Kelly, for his guidance and to Smith Funeral Home who were in charge of arrangements.