



Celebrating the life of
Raymond Laverne Brubacher

July 20, 1946 – August 23, 2024

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Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.
Erb Street Mennonite Church, Waterloo, Ontario

Prelude

Opening Words

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness VT#419

Memories and Reflections

Ray's Children

Instrumental Music

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Memories and Reflections

Ray's Sister

Hymn

In the Bulb There is a Flower VT#670

Scripture Readings (NIV)

Genesis 1:1-3

John 14:1-3

2 Timothy 4:7-8

Meditation

Let There Be Light

Hymn

Nothing is Lost VT#653

Prayer

Solo

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

Praise God From Whom VT#70

Benediction

Postlude

Presiding Pastor: Scott Brubaker-Zehr

Pianist: Joanne Bender

Violin: Andrea Weber Steckly

Flute: Valerie Alton

Soloist: Merrill Hunsberger

Song Leader: Karin Bileski

Memories and Reflections: Jeremy Brubacher, Annette Foley,
Rachel Holthof, Melissa Cressman, Anne Brubacher

Scripture Reading: Maggie Holthof, Heidi Brubacher

Pallbearers:

Michael Foley

Benjamin Holthof

Andrew Cressman

Patrick Brubacher

Matthew Brubacher

Michael Culp

To our family, friends, and church community we offer our sincere gratitude for your continued support, encouragement and prayers.

All are invited to the church fellowship hall immediately following the service for refreshments and visiting.



I have fought the good fight,

I have finished the race,

I have kept the faith.

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness,

Which the Lord, the righteous Judge,

Will award to me on that day- and not only to me,

But also to all who have longed for his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7-8 NIV

Raymond Laverne Brubacher

Passed away at home on Friday August 23rd, 2024 after a courageous battle with ALS. He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Gladys(Brubacher), children Jeremy Brubacher (Wendy), Annette Foley (Michael), Rachel Holthof (Benjamin), Melissa Cressman (Andrew). Also survived by grandchildren Patrick, Braeden, and Moira Brubacher, Nathaniel and Margaret "Maggie" Holthof, Elizabeth "Evan", and Daniel Cressman, his siblings David, Robert, and Anne Brubacher, and sister-in-law Mary Kuepfer. He will be missed by his fur grandbabies Storm and Gunner Foley, and Coco Cressman.

Predeceased by his parents Elmer and Margaret Brubacher, and Milt Good, parents-in-law Elias and Elizabeth Brubacher, sister-in-law Viola Brubacher, his brothers-in-law Ralph Brubacher, and Elwood Kuepfer, and his niece Tracey Bauer.

Ray was born on a farm on the west side of Kitchener. He was a lifelong and very active member of the Erb Street Mennonite Church, helping with the cemetery, the church sound system, participating in bowling, and slow pitch and other activities.

He had a lifelong career as a master electrician, and led by example with his incredible work ethic. At various times all his kids worked in the family business and learned from him. Ray played an invaluable role in overseeing the electrical needs of the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale for many decades. He was a man of few words, but always present. He was a deeply committed family man. He enjoyed spending time with family & friends at his favourite vacation place, Chesley Lake Camp.

Visitation will be held at the Erb & Good Family Funeral Home, 171 King St S, Waterloo, on Wednesday August 28th from 2-4pm, and 7-9pm. Private interment will take place prior to service on Thursday. Celebration of Life will be held at Erb Street Mennonite Church, 131 Erb St W, Waterloo on Thursday August 29th, at 2pm. A reception will follow.

A livestream and recording of the service will be made available on Ray's tribute page at www.erbgood.com

Special thanks to the Erb Street church community for all their support over the years. Thank you to Dr. Shoemith of London Health Sciences, as well as the teams at Hospice Waterloo Region and Home Care.

In lieu of flowers, condolences for the family and donations to Hospice Waterloo Region, and the Mennonite Central Committee, or a charity of your choice may be arranged through the Erb & Good Family Funeral Home, 171 King St S, Waterloo, and at www.erbgood.com