



Bill Helsel

November 26, 2022

William "Bill" Edward Helsel, of Port Lambton and formerly of Oxtongue Lake, passed away peacefully with family by his side at Bluewater Health in Sarnia on Saturday, November 26, 2022 at the age of 79. Bill is the son of the late Elizabeth Grace (Cousins) Helsel. Beloved husband of Janet Helsel (Reaume) for 50 years. Cherished father of Becky Helsel and grandfather of Mabel-Anne. Brother of Judy Richardson (Merv) and the late Maryann Fewer (Tom). Bill and Janet owned and operated Helsel's General Store in Oxtongue Lake for many years. Bill also drove delivery for Canada Post in the Dwight and Oxtongue Lake areas. Bill and Janet loved travelling to Club TRYP in Cayo Coco, Cuba for their annual vacation. Whether at the store or on the mail route Bill always had a smile for everyone. Bill's family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Lebert, Dr. McSweeney, the VON Nurses, and the Palliative Care Team involved in his care during the past few months. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg, 519-627-3231. Cherished stories and tributes may be left for the family at www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer society.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Hesel*

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ *So sad to hear about the passing of Bill. We have many good memories of him and Jan at their General Store at Oxtongue Lake - he always had a smile on his face and was so friendly to all.*

Laura Embree - December 10, 2022 at 01:38 PM



“ *Jan and Becky, we were sad to read of Bill's death in the Forester. Your family was iconic in Oxtongue Lake. You were the glue that kept every one connected. Thank you for being there. Doug and Sandra Rae*

Sandra Rae - December 10, 2022 at 08:07 AM



“ *Jan, Becky and family,
Good memories of our old neighbour in Oxtongue Lake. My deepest condolences to you.*

Sylvia Archibald - December 07, 2022 at 05:05 PM

CK

“ *Jan, Becky and little Mabel-Anne*
We are so sorry for your loss of a wonderful husband, father and grandpa. The picture of Bill says it all - happy, funny and with a bit of cheer in his hand.
We could always count on you, Jan, and Bill to be the anchor of our community. You have so many wonderful memories that will carry you through this difficult time.
Ted and Caroline.

Caroline Keown - December 03, 2022 at 04:04 PM

FP

“ *Frank Marylin Prisciak lit a candle in memory of Bill Helsel*



Frank & Marylin Prisciak - December 02, 2022 at 11:25 AM

FP

“ *Janet & Becky, please accept our deepest Sympathy on the loss of Bill. Frank & I still talk about the time we spent living next to you, our card nights. Bill always had a smile on his face. He will Always be in your heart, never forgotten. Frank & Marylin Prisciak*

Frank & Marylin Prisciak - December 02, 2022 at 11:24 AM

SH

“ *Thank you for the time we had together. Helsel's Store was the hub of our community for many years. Bill always had a smile on his face. Good friend, good neighbour. We are all saddened by his passing.*
All the Haydens

Scott Hayden - December 02, 2022 at 09:48 AM

AC

“ So very sorry to hear the sad news about Bill. For thirty years he always welcomed us into the store with a joke and a smile. Thinking of you Janet and Becky.

alison carter - November 30, 2022 at 06:19 PM

ES

“ Sincerely sorry to hear of Bill's passing, Jan. He was a great guy and a great neighbour. We still miss you both on Oxtongue. Steve Longlade and Elizabeth Schell

Elizabeth Schell - November 30, 2022 at 06:10 PM

MH

“ Dear Jan and family, Jane and I are so sorry to hear about Bill's passing. We share so many memories of fun times at 'The Lake' with you. Our sincere sympathies, Jane and Marty Holski

Marty Holski - November 30, 2022 at 09:06 AM

MS

“ In memory of Uncle Bill. You will be missed.



Marie Shearer - November 30, 2022 at 08:50 AM

JK

“ “Young Bill” always held a special place in my heart, since childhood. You will be sadly missed by all those who had the honour of loving you.

jane keevil - November 29, 2022 at 08:46 PM

RK

“ *rae kristiansen lit a candle in memory of Bill Hesel*



rae kristiansen - November 29, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of his passing. Coworker/friend of Rebecca, hugs, and lots of love sent to you and your family.*



Kelly Tulloch - November 29, 2022 at 02:42 PM

JR

“ *There were so many times when Bill rescued me from my troubles...he was always there for me. I couldn't have asked for a better big brother. I will miss you so much, Bill.*

Judy Richardson - November 28, 2022 at 05:40 PM

CC

Thoughts of Bill bring a smile to our hearts. Heartfelt condolences to all who loved him. With hugs, Liz and the Lindsay girls et al. XOXO

Carol Cooper - November 29, 2022 at 08:00 PM

SD

“ From when I was a kid - he always gave me a break. The stories I could tell of how he let me be me. He was quiet while there was so much loud around. He was quiet, but when he talked he said something. He was so tall and I remember so many times he looked down at me and smiled.

*I've talked about you so much, I'm sure Kelly recognized you the moment you walked through the door. Keep looking down on me.
Love you Uncle Bill.*

Steve Dilts - November 28, 2022 at 05:37 PM