



Willi Braun
1931 - 2019

It is with deep sadness that the family of Willi Karl Braun announces his peaceful passing at the age of 87, on January 16, 2019. He is survived by his three sons Volker (Beryl), Ralph (Jacqueline), Mark, and his four grandchildren Monica, Austin, Justin, and Eric. Willi was born in Reutlingen, Germany on September 22, 1931. As a young man, he discovered his passion for geology and went on to earn his Ph.D. from the University of Tübingen. During his time at university, Willi met the love of his life—Ruth Gisela Herrmann. They married in 1958 and shortly after began a life-long adventure with their move to Canada – a country which symbolized freedom to Willi and his family from their experience with Canadian soldiers involved in the liberation of Germany in World War II. Willi and Ruth began their new life in Alberta where Willi worked with Shell Oil. Willi was an academic at heart, however, and when offered a position at the University of Saskatchewan in 1964, he could not resist. Willi thrived as a professor, both as a researcher and as a teacher in the Department of Geology. He took great pride and satisfaction in teaching and was extremely honored to receive the Master Teacher Award in 1991. Even after Willi retired he continued to teach for several more years – but this time, teaching other senior citizens about geology, which he greatly enjoyed. Willi was also a talented painter and had a great love for plants and he devoted much of his spare time to his greenhouse attached to his home in Saskatoon. Willi also had a profound love for his grandchildren and he took great delight spending time with them. After the passing of Ruth in 2017, Willi spent his time writing his memoirs and enjoying time with his family.

In Loving Memory
Willi Karl Braun

Born
September 22, 1931
Reutlingen, Germany

Passed Away
January 16, 2019
Warman, Saskatchewan

Graveside Service
Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
Garden of Apostles
Hillcrest Memorial Gardens

Officiating
Pastor Steve Menshenfriend

Reception
Please join the family in the Family Room for a time of
fellowship and refreshments.

*In lieu of flowers, donations in Willi's memory may be made to the
Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.*