



Mr. Norman Spink

March 8, 2016

Pte Norman SPINK, The King's Own Royal Regiment

On 2016 March 08, Norman Spink passed on at North York General Hospital, aged 86. Predeceased by his beloved wife, Irene Hemmerling, stepdaughter, Faye, and brother, Thomas Spink, Norman leaves step children, Sandy and Lorne, sister-in-law, Bonita Nelson, niece Anita, nephews Glen Nelson (Anne) and Gary and Darrell Reid, granddaughter Lindsay, and grandnieces Alexandra and Samantha. Norman was a Brit of great humour and generosity, who could argue with fervour. He was an Army Rifleman, Boxer, Bookbinder with Maple Leaf, Legion member (Branches 210, 101, and 527), keeper of tropical fish and ardent collector of native and wildlife art. Irene and he were avid and accomplished Ballroom dancers and loved their Coldwater retreat. After cremation, there will be a Celebration of Life, Saturday April 09 at 1500 hr., at Legion Branch 257, 948 Sheppard Ave. W., North York. Please post Tributes: www.aftercare.org. Donations in Norman's memory are invited to the Legion's Poppy Fund. Come to Norman's auction at noon that day, 191 Yorkview Drive, North York: all proceeds to the Poppy Fund. Thanks are due to caregivers and friends Lena, Anna and Mike, Pat, Luz, Pat and Brian, Dr. Sischy, CCAC and North York General.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 257
948 Sheppard Avenue West
Toronto, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall

BE

“ Just learning now of Norm's passing in a "Hmm..wonder whatever happened to..." moment. Norm was an amazing dancer, always had a line up of ladies looking to share the Legion's dance floor with him (myself included). I have many wonderful memories of early morning fishing up in Honey Harbour, where he and Ma (Irene, a beautiful lady I was proud to call my mother-in-law back in the day) had a trailer for many years. Also have many memories of Norm's car breaking down to and fro Honey Harbour LOL Always an adventure! Norm could be gruff, but he also had a heart of gold - always wanted people to have a good time whenever he threw a party. He made the most creative Halloween costumes for the Legion dances.. I will look for some pics to share. RIP Norm. Thanks for the memories.

Beverly - June 16, 2016 at 08:33 AM

LA

“ *In loving memory of the late Norman Spink*

Norman is a very strong man who lives his life to the fullest. We are neighbours and live at the same building; I visited him in some afternoons at tea time, carrying on conversation pleasantly during the period of time that I was on a leave of absence from work.

His stories and memories when he was serving at the Navy are all funny stuff and him being a boxer and good runner were all good memories of his younger life.

There is one category I remember about Norman Spink: his generosity to people has no limitations. I knew people whom he helped out during financial problems and most of them appreciate it.

Norman is a person whom I knew will not just say thank you for whatever assistance he might get but also pay you generously for services done for him. He never took advantage of anybody: if you refused to take the money then he would say..."I will never ask you a favour anymore."

Norman Spink, a very gentle man with pleasant personality: you will be missed. Rest in peace, Norman.

Luz Adora and Derek Pazder

Luz Adora - April 09, 2016 at 12:12 AM

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Laura - March 12, 2016 at 08:19 AM

AW

I have heard much about Norman's love and mastery of dancing, but there was a particular much-storied limbo contest: does anyone have a picture of this? Please bring it to the Celebration. Thanks. A.

Alec Wright - March 12, 2016 at 10:33 PM

AW

The silent charity auction of Norman's cherished Bradford Exchange and Blue Mountain Pottery (BMP) collectibles runs from noon to 1:30 PM on Saturday, April 09, at his home: 1-191 Yorkview Drive, North York. All proceeds to the Royal Canadian Legion. Right after all are invited to the Celebration of Norman's Life at 3:00 PM at Legion Branch 527, 948 Sheppard Ave. West, North York.

Alec Wright - April 09, 2016 at 12:24 AM