



Leo Joseph Arsenault: East Margaree

Born in East Margaree, Sept. 8 1949 to parents Willie and Annie-Rose (Doucet) Arsenault. My dad; Leo, lived life in an easy, simple way; but, loved whole-heartedly. He loved to play cards, read his books and to do crossword puzzles. He was always willing to help anyone in need. One of his favourite and cherished times were those spent with his son, Jean-Paul. Often accompanied by him while driving to work they would listen to "Fan 590" a Toronto radio station, and had many memorable conversations. In 2012, Leo wanted to spend some time with his elderly Mother, and so he retired and moved back home to East Margaree. At home his kitchen was often filled with family and friends, trying to have a conversation over the loud volume of CJFX radio or Zoomer Radio. However; it did not matter how loud the volume of the radio or how loud people talked, nothing matched the heights of his "larger-than-life personality". Leo went to St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, then spent some time as a Royal Canadian Air Cadet in BC, and afterwards moved to Toronto, Ont where he was a key-player in the Market Research Industry. He was "one of the few people that could be very down to earth and very professional at the same time". The people he had worked with were very sad to hear of his passing. His friend Clyde, family members; Thomas, Clarence, Rita; his pet Chihuaha Jack (often called his other son) and many other family and friends ensured his life was full of love and care as his health declined. In August his son Jean Paul also moved to Cape Breton to spend precious time with his Dad.

Leo is survived by his son Jean Paul, sisters Rita, Loretta, Helena also survived by step-sisters Germaine, Yvonne, Delina, Lorraine and step-brothers Clarence, Lionel and Bernie

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by step-father Joseph Cormier; step-brother, Marcel Armand and step-sister, Pauline Dunn. Visitation was at St. Michaels Church, East Margaree, on Wed. Jan 11 from 11 a.m. to 1p.m. and funeral to followed at 2 p.m. with Father Duncan MacIssac officiating. Burial will be in the Parish Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to The Sacred Heart Hospital Foundation. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Co-operative, Margaree Valley. Online condolences at: sunsetfuneralco.op@gmail.com