

In Loving Memory



Otto Hermann Bohl

April 14, 1931 – January 11, 2022

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Memorial Service

*Evangelical Free Church in Chase, BC
Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 1 PM*

Pianist

Ruth Aiyadurai

Officiants

*Dwayne Powell
Heidi McChesney*

Eulogy

Jonathan Aiyadurai

Memories

*Ruth Aiyadurai
Jeremy Aiyadurai
Justin Aiyadurai
Ralph McDonald*

Interment

Chase Cemetery

Pallbearers

<i>George Bohl</i>	<i>Justin Aiyadurai</i>
<i>Jonathan Aiyadurai</i>	<i>Jeremy Aiyadurai</i>
<i>Drew Blain</i>	<i>Ralph McDonald</i>

Honourary Pallbearer

Karl Bohl

Otto was born in Bremen, Germany, on April 14, 1931 to Theobald and Gertrude Bohl. He was the second oldest of eight children. Otto grew up in Bremen, and his family endured many hardships there during the war.

In 1952, Otto immigrated to Canada in pursuit of a better life. Upon arriving in Canada, he worked for a short period during the winter in a remote logging camp in Kenora, ON before he made his way to Winnipeg, MB. While in Winnipeg, he worked as a painter, and at a soap factory.

In 1954, Otto drove in his Dodge car from Winnipeg to settle in Prince Rupert, BC. He continued to work as a painter in Prince Rupert. He also joined the local church choir where he met his future wife, Eva.

Otto and Eva married on June 23, 1956 in Prince Rupert. Together they raised three children, Ruth (1957), George (1959), and Gary (1966). Sadly, the family experienced the tragic loss of Gary on June 8, 1971.

Otto worked for many years painting in Prince Rupert alongside his good friend, Earnie Sinclair, and eventually bought Earnie's painting business. He hand-painted many signs for businesses around Prince Rupert. And as a hobby, he also painted and sketched many pieces of artwork.

Otto was known for his musical talent. He could sing beautifully, and often sang in duets with Eva. He played many instruments, including the harmonica, organ, double-bass, and accordion.

Otto was also an outdoorsman. He enjoyed fishing, hiking, and canoeing.

In 1980, Otto, Eva, and George moved to Chase, BC. For many years, Otto and George ran a successful father-son business, Bohl's Painting & Decorating.

In addition to being a loving husband and father, Otto also became an amazing grandfather to Ruth's (Mark) three sons, Jeremy, Jonathan, and Justin. He enjoyed spoiling them with gifts, and telling them many stories from his younger days. Otto eventually also gained two granddaughter-in-laws, Tanya (Jonathan) and Ruth (Justin), as well as two great-grandchildren, Kira and Konrad.

In 2016, Eva, Otto, and George had a fire in their Chase home. Although this was a tough experience, they persevered. Otto, at 86 years old, oversaw rebuilding their family home, which they moved back into in 2017.

Otto and Eva were happily married for over 65 years. They enjoyed every moment together. They enjoyed teasing and joking with each other, going for picnics with family, exploring the Shuswap area around Chase, and going out to eat at all of their favorite local restaurants.

Otto made his choice to serve God in 1962 at the Prince George Convention, and he kept true to his vow to God for the rest of his days.

