

1930 - 2021  
**ALVIN JOA**  
*In loving memory of*



"A LETTER FROM HEAVEN"  
 When tomorrow starts without me  
 And I'm not there to see;  
 If the sun should rise and find your eyes  
 All filled with tears for me.  
 I wish so much you wouldn't cry  
 The way you did today;  
 While thinking of the many things  
 We didn't get to say.  
 I know how much you love me  
 As much as I love you.  
 And each time that you think of me,  
 I know you'll miss me too.  
 When tomorrow starts without me,  
 Don't think we're far apart  
 For every time you think of me,  
 I'm right here in your heart.  
 By Alena Hakala Meadows

Alvin is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Elaine Joa.

Children: **Ellen** (Larry) Wagner

Scott & Lindsay Wagner

London, Jory, Rylan Wagner

Kelly & Marlie Wagner

Aubree and Sadie Wagner

**Kevin** (Pat) Joa

Jeremy & Danica Joa

Blakely and Remi Joa

Christina (Terry) McNabb

Bryton, River and Oaklyn McNabb

Michelle Joa

Sarah Joa

Jenna Joa

**Anita** (Stephane) Richer

Philippe (Janna) Richer

Benjamin and Lillian

Anastasia Richer and Chris

Anthony Richer

Olivia Richer

**Mark** Joa

**Bruce** Joa – predeceased

*Fotheringham-McDougall*  
 FUNERAL SERVICE

Alvin Alphonse Joa was born Oct. 22, 1930, to Mary and Peter Joa, on the farm at St. Gertrude, Sask. He was the youngest of 7 children. When Alvin was 10 months old he lost his father. Mary then married Joe Merkosky and they had 3 children which made a total of 10. Joe or Pa as he was called became the only father Alvin really knew. He attended school at a 1 room school house at St. Gertrude. After he completed Grade 10 he became an apprentice in automotive mechanics in Humboldt. Upon completion of his course he moved to Imperial to work for Lewis and Kelly at Imperial Garage. There he met and married the love of his life Elaine. Soon after, the children began arriving: Ellen, Kevin, Bruce, Anita, and Mark.

During his career Alvin had a service station and bulk fuel "Shell" on the highway. He operated that for several years until he sold it. In 1978 he bought Imperial Garage and when times got tough he worked at Wollaston Lake as a mechanic. During that time his son Kevin operated the garage. After three years he returned home and worked at Imperial Garage along side his son. He eventually sold the business to Kevin and they continued to work together for several more years. Alvin and Elaine enjoyed travelling and made many trips to the southern states and Texas. They enjoyed downhill skiing for a time and golfing. One of Alvin's passions was maintaining the Imperial Golf course and if he did anything it was all or none, so you didn't dare golf there unless you paid your golf fees. Bruce sadly left us in 1981 and has left a void in our hearts but also left us with some good memories. Alvin enjoyed his 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren and spent a lot of happy holidays together. Donations can be made to Long Lake Valley Auxiliary. Thanks to the community and all the family and friends for their support during this difficult time.

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**ALVIN ALPHONSE JOA**  
 aged 90

**VIGIL FOR THE DECEASED**

Friday October 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**MASS OF THE CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Saturday October 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church

Imperial Saskatchewan

*OFFICIANT*

Fr. Peter Olisa

*REGISTER ATTENDANTS*

Glen & Deanna Rae Larry & Elaine Cruise

*USHERS*

Randy VanDamme Scott Royan

*READERS*

1st Sarah Joa 2nd Michelle Joa

*INTENTIONS*

Jenna Joa

*URNBEARER*

Scott Wagner

*SPECIAL MUSIC*

Jeremy Joa Christina McNabb

Michelle, Sarah and Jenna Joa

*ORGANIST*

Bev McLane

*PIANIST*

Pat Joa

*EULOGY*

Kelly & Marlie Wagner

*MEMORIAL RECEPTION*  
 IMPERIAL COMMUNITY CENTRE  
 St. Pius X Alter Society

*PRIVATE FAMILY INTERMENT*

Imperial Cemetery