George Byron Glasier

George Byron Glasier was born on May 8, 1944 in Coronation, Alberta. He was the youngest child of Alma Edward and Leona Edith (Neal) Glasier. George liked to say his name was actually "and George" because it was always preceded by his siblings names: Ed (Edna), Edith (Archie), Rose (Archie), Dave (Wilma), Fay (Al), Janet, Bill (Marietta), Arlene (Wayne)....and George.

George spent a busy childhood in Coronation, always trying to spend as much time as possible outside. George's parents opened a gas station when he was 11 years old and he worked at the station full-time until he moved to Lamoni, lowa to attend Graceland College in 1963.

At Graceland, he met the love of his life, his wife of 54 years, Sally Irene Carritt. George and Sally were married on August 1, 1965 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. They continued to live in Iowa while they both worked on their Masters degrees. George finished his Masters of Science from the University of Nebraska in 1968.

In 1968 George and Sally moved to Edmonton, Alberta. They welcomed their first child, Jodi Lynn in 1969 and their second daughter, Cathy Jo in 1975. George continued to seek the outdoors all over Alberta, spending time hiking, horseback riding, hunting and fishing.

Throughout his career George worked as a science teacher, vice-principal and principal of Clover Bar Junior High School. He completed his career as the Director of Continuing Education for the County of Strathcona.

George and Sally retired early from their careers to make the move to an acreage on Vancouver Island. They enjoyed 21 beautiful years together in Mill Bay where George ended where he began - trying to spend as much time as possible outside. He spent his time crafting the most beautiful yard full of plants and rocks in as natural a setting as possible, welcoming wherever he could the small bugs and birds into his yard. On the Island, George found a new way to be creative, crafting all the furniture in his house and countless other wood projects. He was always on the look out for a fallen tree he could spend his time with.

In his final years, George handled with grace his diagnosis of Alzheimers and did his best to prepare his family for what was to come.

He will be greatly missed by his wife Sally, daughter Jodi, son-in-law Jason, and grandsons Tyler and Brandon; and his daughter Cathy Jo, son-in-law Pat and grandsons, Thomas and Cole.