

IN LOVING MEMORY

GLEN ELIS GRADIN

September 21, 1938—October 15, 2025

Funeral Service

1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2025

Kelvington Legion Community Hall

Kelvington, SK

Officiating

Melissa Brooks

Scripture Readers

Hugh & Angie Farmer

Pianist

Connie Prouse

Guestbook Attendants

Shirley Kozij & Lorelyle Kiland

Eulogists

Elaine Scott & June Schultz

Pallbearers

Deann Scott
Matt Schultz

Larissa Scott
Katie Florko

Mike Thompson
Adam Schultz

Interment

Scandia Lutheran Cemetery
Hendon, SK

ANNOUNCEMENT

Please join the family for a time of fellowship and refreshments following the service in the Legion Room.

Donations in Glen's memory can be made to:
Scandia Lutheran Church Perpetual Care Fund Box 381, Wadena, SK SOA 4J0
Kelvindell Lodge- Resident Fund Box 280, Kelvington, SK SOA 1W0
or to a Charity of One's Choice

Obituary

Glen Elis Gradin passed away peacefully on October 15, 2025, in Kelvington, Saskatchewan.

Born on September 21, 1938, to Sadie and Elis Gradin, Glen was the sixth of nine children. He grew up in the Hendon area and attended Moosehorn School. At the age of 17, Glen ventured to Elliot Lake, Ontario, where he worked in the mines for four years.

In 1961, Glen married the love of his life, Dianne Leitch. Together, they built a life rooted in love, hard work, and family, raising four children. Glen dedicated 15 years to the Co-op before moving to Kelvington in 1979, where he and Dianne operated a grain and pig farm until their retirement in 2002. Glen worked at the Hendon Co-op for a couple of years while farming and supported his local Co-op as a board member.

Glen was a man of many talents and passions. He found joy in music, dancing, carpentry, welding, restoring antique tractors and vehicles, hunting, fishing, camping, auctioneering, curling, and flying his Piper Colt airplane. He also loved to travel, and cherished time spent with family and friends.

His creativity and craftsmanship live on in the many handmade treasures he lovingly created for his children and grandchildren – hope chests, clothes hampers, rocking chairs and other furniture, playhouses, swings, picnic tables, outdoor Christmas displays and more – each piece a testament of the love he shared with his family.

Glen's life was also deeply shaped by his faith. He was a long-time member of the Scandia and Zion Lutheran Churches, where he found strength, community, and purpose. His quiet faith guided his actions and relationships, and his legacy of kindness and service will be remembered by all who knew him.

Glen leaves to mourn his passing his loving wife Dianne of close to 64 years; children Elaine (Kelly) Scott, June (David) Schultz, Elwood (Lina) Gradin, and Sharon (Chuck) Deschamps; grandchildren Deann, Larissa (Mike), Matt (Katie), Adam, Kellee (Lexi), Sammi (Brett), Garrett, and Morgan; and great-grandson Kason. He is also survived by siblings Neil (Dianne) Gradin and Connie (Don) McKay, and in-laws Allan (Diane) Leitch, Bev (Ken) Lee, Sandra Leitch, Maureen Kresak, Connie Anderson as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was predeceased by his parents, Elis and Sadie; siblings Iva (Walter) Walster, Elna (Ed) Harmsworth, Eldon (Marion) Gradin, Eunice (Gordon) Hultin, Elsie (Norman) Harvey, Lynn Gradin; and brother-in-law Gerald Leitch.

A Better Place

There's a place I've never seen
Beyond this world we know,
A place I've only heard of
But someday hope to go -
It's not on any map,
There are no roads to take me there,
But it's a place of perfect peace.
Where hearts are free from care
And though I understand
Some may be saddened when I leave
One day, we will all meet again—
That's what I believe...
When it's time to travel there,
I think I'll wear a smile,
I'll say goodbye to those I love,
But only for a while
Knowing there are others
Who have traveled there alone
Who cannot wait to greet me
And to whisper "Welcome Home".

Acknowledgement

Our family thanks you all for your love & kindness during this sad time.
Your thoughtfulness is appreciated and will always be remembered ♥

Tompkins
FUNERAL HOME
& CREMATORIUM



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