

### **The Dash**

*I read of a man who stood to speak  
at the funeral of a friend.  
He referred to the dates on the tombstone  
from the beginning...to the end.*

*He noted that first came the date of birth  
and spoke the following date with tears,  
but he said what mattered most of all  
was the dash between those years.*

*For that dash represents all the time  
that they spent alive on earth.  
And now only those who loved them  
know what that little line is worth.*

*For it matters not, how much we own,  
the cars...the house...the cash.  
What matters is how we live and love  
and how we spend our dash.*

*So, think about this long and hard.  
Are there things you'd like to change?  
For you never know how much time is left  
that can still be rearranged.*

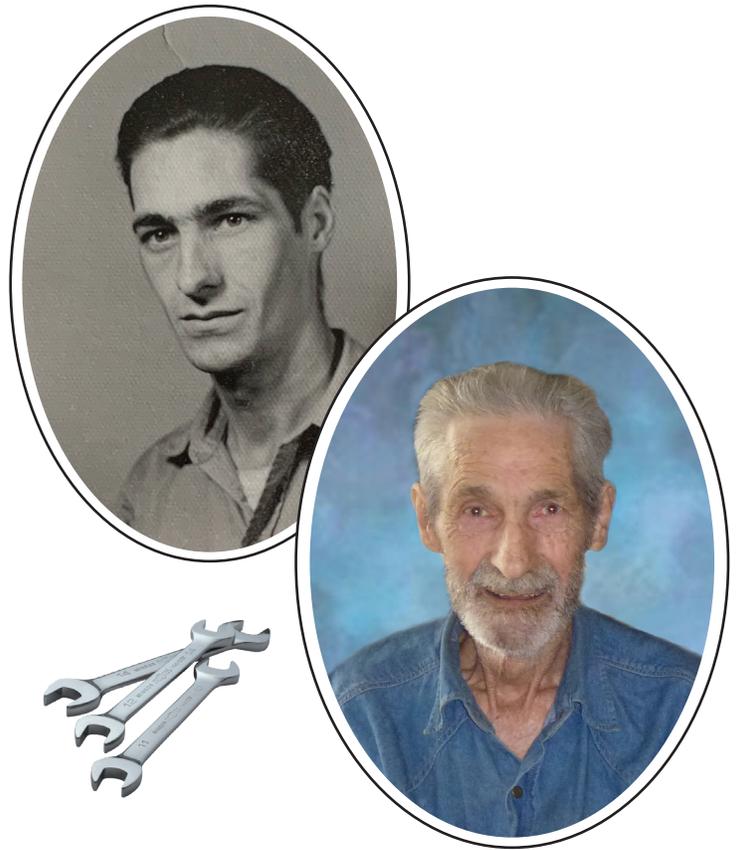
*If we could just slow down enough  
to consider what's true and real  
and always try to understand  
the way other people feel.*

*And be less quick to anger  
and show appreciation more  
and love the people in our lives  
like we've never loved before.*

*If we treat each other with respect  
and more often wear a smile,  
remembering that this special dash  
might only last a little while.*

*So, when your eulogy is being read,  
with your life's actions to rehash...  
would you be proud of the things they say  
about how you spent YOUR dash?*

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Assiniboia & Gravelbourg



## **Dave Mackin**

In Loving Memory of  
**David Mackin**

### **Born**

December 14, 1937  
Lafleche, Saskatchewan

### **Passed Away**

October 8, 2021  
Regina, Saskatchewan  
at the age of 83 years

### **Graveside Service**

Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 2:00 p.m.  
Melaval Cemetery

### **Sharing of Memories**

Rae Jordet, Brittany Keenleyside  
Riley Jordet, Kyle Jordet, Les Jordet

### **Prayer**

June Belsher

**Memorial Donations**  
STARS Air Ambulance



Dave was the youngest of 8 children born to Robert "Bob" and Helen Mackin. He completed grades 1-12 in Melaval and went on to further his education at Balfour Technical School in Regina, studying mechanics. Dave's knowledge was vast growing up working in his father's garage. He was able to challenge all the exams passing with ease. Sadly, Dave's father passed away in 1964.

Dave continued to operate the garage in Melaval. Dave was an exceptional mechanic, could weld and fix anything, a jack of all trades. He enjoyed mentoring many students as they apprenticed in the field and taught work experience with the school until 1995. He enjoyed skeet shooting, hosting the local coffee crew and had a great love of animals, especially cats and dogs. Dave is survived by his sister Rachael "Rae" Jordet. He was predeceased by his parents Helen and Robert Mackin and brothers Ashley Mackin, Doug Mackin, Roger Mackin, and Phillip "Bing" Mackin, William "Bill" Mackin, and sister Virginia "Vir" Vogel.