

Henry married Susan Huebner on September 5, 1952 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. They were blessed with six children; Ernie, Neil, Bev, Grace, Milton, and Reta, along with 23 grandchildren and 60 great-grandchildren through over 70 years of marriage. Having never lost a child, grandchild, or great-grandchild, Henry was blessed in being the first to depart from this earth. He prayed for his descendants daily by name, and now leaves us all behind.

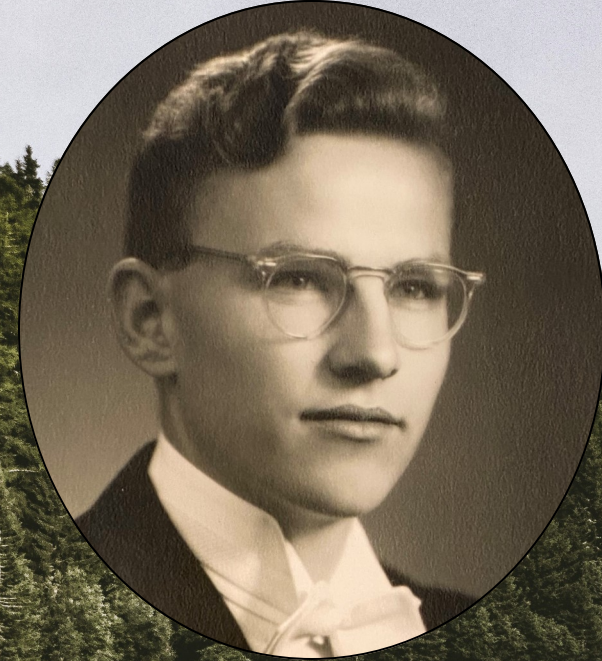
Throughout his life, Henry found ways to minister to others within his community through serving as a Sunday school teacher, church elder, and as Captain of the Christian Service Brigade Boys' Club. It was through this organization that his legacy of the Camp Oshkidee ministry began. A ministry to which he "Chips" along with his wife, Susan "Chipper" would dedicate much of their lives.

Henry was a man of peace with an unwavering trust in God's will for his life. He believed in the power of prayer and built his house upon the rock. His faith was paramount to how he lived his life; with a deep conviction to trust, surrender and obey Jesus. It was this belief which allowed him to find peace, and to walk humbly with God to the end of his days.

"Well done, thy good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:23

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Henry J. Block

February 3, 1926 - February 16, 2023

Sunday, February 26, 2023 - 2:00 p.m.

Forest Grove Community Church

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Order Of Service

Prelude - Amy Boyes

Welcome - Pastor Ralph Gliege

Obituary - Corrie Block

Eulogy - Reta Goby

Congregational Singing - Milton Block, Lisa Enns & Linda Driedger

Tributes - Peter Block, Jeff Hawke & Meredith Rhinas

Message - Pastor Ralph Gliege

Video Tribute - Alex Obst

Postlude - Amy Boyes

Officiating Clergy

Pastor Ralph Gliege

Pallbearers

Cristin Block, David Block, Janice Cross,

Andrew Faul, Theo Block, Aden Goby

Interment

Woodlawn Cemetery

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Memorial Donations

Camp Oshkidee

830 Kloppenburg Court, Saskatoon, SK S7W 0P3

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Life Story

Henry was born to John and Cornelia (Fast) Block on February 3, 1926 in Orenburg, Russia; he was the seventh child in his family. This was a turbulent time in Russia involving persecution of Christians by the communist government which led his family to flee to Canada in 1926. They came to live with a family in rural Manitoba for two years before departing for southern Saskatchewan at the dawn of the Great Depression. Their family endured six years of drought before relocating to a Mennonite settlement in Waldheim, Saskatchewan. Though there was no church in Waldheim, they met with the other families each Sunday for biblical instruction and fellowship. Life was not easy but as Henry recalled, they were happy. They relied on God, and believed in the importance of prayer and devotion. These would continue to be the pillars on which Henry lived his life.

Henry worked on the farm as a Conscientious Objector until the end of the war in May of 1945. He then set out to pursue a career as a doctor. With no money to speak of, it was through God's faithfulness and the generosity of others that Henry completed his education. During this time Henry took on a summer job with the Dominion Forest Service as part of a research program in the Riding Mountain National Park in Manitoba. This experience would later prove to be the beginning of Henry's passion for life in the great outdoors.

Upon completing his 12 month internship, Henry was considered a finished, trained medical doctor and would later go on to become Chief of Pathology at City Hospital in Saskatoon where he remained until his retirement in June of 1990.