



## Obituary

**Born:** Wednesday, July 16, 1930

**Died:** Monday, September 28, 2015

James Murray McDermid "Spud"

A life long resident of Providence Bay.

Died peacefully at Mindemoya Hospital on

Monday, September 28th, 2015 at the age of 85.

Born to Elsie (nee Bailey) and James McDermid, in  
Tehkummah,

on July 16th, 1930.

Beloved husband of Audrey "Toots" (nee Lockyer)  
McDermid.

Loving father of Sally & husband Jim Dawson of Toronto,  
and Jamie McDermid of Providence Bay.

Proud grandfather of Jesse and Morgen,  
and special great grandfather of Hunter and Mya.

Predeceased by both his brothers, Irving and Blair.

Will be missed by in-laws

Betty (predeceased) Humphrey Beaudin

Floyd & Lila Lockyer,

Sally Lachapelle,

Dean & Darlena Lockyer; all of Little Current.

Will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and  
friends.

## Service Summary

### Funeral Service

Location: - *Not available* -

Murray lead an accomplished life, but his greatest love was  
for his family. He was a proud Haweater, who was proud of  
his heritage and loved his kilt.

He was a curler and a hockey player, by the age of 16 he  
knew he wanted to be a ball player, He was a hard throwing  
right hand pitcher and a hard hitting left handed hitter. He  
cherished his time at Hornel New York, playing for the  
Brooklyn Dodgers Farm Team.

He self taught himself leather craft, and he schooled many  
Islander's in the craft. He loved his camp in Carters bay, deer  
hunting and cutting wood, he also loved heading north with  
the Sloss brothers to moose hunt.

Murray was the cemetery contact person the for over 50  
years, overseeing of all the cemetery needs. He won Citizen  
of the Year award last year from the Providence Bay  
Agricultural Society. He served on the Providence Bay  
Community Centre Board and on the Providence Bay  
Discover Centre Board until his death, and was a member of  
Providence Bay United Church for 63 years.

For his many years of dedication and service he has been  
recognized by; Melvin Jones Fellow For Dedication For  
Humanitarian Services Lions Club International Foundation,  
Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Club Lifetime  
Achievement,

Golden Hammer for 50 years in the hardward/building supply  
business.

He served on the Board of Directors for 29 years for Home  
Hardware, after those years of service Home Hardware made

a resolution for him.

He was inducted into Home Hardware Building Circle. His name is engraved on the Home Hardware Stores Builder's Circle granite monument located in the Tribute Garden in St. Jacobs, Ontario.

Family and friends will gather at the Providence Bay Cemetery for a graveside service on October 21, 2015 at 1:00pm.

Donations to Mindemoya Hospital Aux. would be greatly appreciated. (Island Funeral Home will only be accepting cheques)

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