

WM. ALVIN & JESSIE M. DELANEY

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Delaneys celebrate 50 years together

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The family of (William) Alvin and Jessie Delaney (nee: White) met near Little Fort, B.C. Aug. 12 to celebrate Alvin and Jessie's 50th Anniversary. They were married in Clairmont, Alta., Nov. 29th, 1939.

For the first time in almost 20 years, Mum, Dad and all five Delaney children were in the same place at the same time!

It was an "almost" surprise gathering with the folks being told the "real story" the day before so they'd have some time to prepare.

The Delaney children decided this gathering would just be for immediate family; with an open house to be held at the home of Dan and Donna Delaney on Nov. 29 for other family and friends.

This celebration was a true Delaney party – Mel on keyboard with the entire family singing all the good ol' songs; lots of love and laughter; and a lovely meal, plus a lunch, served by the ladies of Darfield. Ruth emceed; Mel said grace and gave the toast to Mum and Dad on behalf of us "five", complete with singing "May The Good Lord Bless And Keep You"; Jody gave the toast to Grandad on behalf of the grandchildren, and Kevin toasted Gramma. Flower arrangements on the tables were lovingly done by grandsons Carey and Colin – the head table bouquet compliments of the mayor of Kamloops.

It was truly a blessed occasion and left us all with many beautiful memories. Special thanks to Dan and Donna for their hard work, not only on two anniversary parties, but for opening their home and hearts to all 21 Delaneys that week.

In attendance at the Aug. 12 event were: Mel (son) and Gail Delaney with sons Sean and Peter of Red Deer; Garry (son) and Carol Delaney with sons Kevin, Denny and Carey of Quesnel, B.C.; Ruth (daughter) and Alvin Breitkreutz with daughter Jody of Wembley; Cleora (daughter) and Larry Stokkes with son John of Osoyoos, B.C.; and Dan (son) and Donna with sons Richard and Colin of Barriere, B.C.

Also in attendance Nov. 29 were: Dan and Ila White of Pincher Creek, Alta.; Cleora Jory of Abbotsford, B.C.; Dale and Lenora White of Revelstoke, B.C.; Harry and Jean Boyer of Surrey, B.C., and Jack and Clara Hardy of Vernon, B.C.



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