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Don Waters 1948 - 2025

With great sadness we announce the passing of Don Waters on Tuesday, October 28, 2025. As the oldest child, Don grew up on an apple orchard near St George, Ontario, with his siblings, Kathy, Bob (Deborah) and Jane (Laurie). He is predeceased by his father, Don (2001) and his mother, Grace (2016).

A math degree led to a brief time in the Toronto's insurance business. Don headed West for an Outward-Bound experience that changed his life forever. Don discovered his love of the mountains, nature and the outdoor life.

Don's early Sunshine days on lifts and ski patrol, SRAWS (Roger's Pass avalanche forecasting), and the Warden Horse Trail Crew flowed into a lifetime of mountain work and adventures. He flourished skiing (downhill, touring and backcountry), whitewater kayaking, canoeing (day to multi day trips – like the Thlewiaza, Ellice, Nahanni, Thelon, Snake, Bonnet Plume rivers). Don also loved hiking, biking, horse trips, reading and travel.

Don's many years as a Banff Park Warden were a significant life experience nurturing his love of nature. He worked through the years of the multifaceted warden; being active in science, avalanche control, fire, vegetation, public safety, peace officer, backcountry patrols, wildlife and resource conservation activities.

Don was a quiet, kind man with a great sense of humour. Many people benefited from his patient and through attention as a teacher and mentor. He was a strong protector of the innocent and vulnerable. He volunteered for the literacy project and served on the board of the Banff Library. Don supported many charities for the betterment of life for all.

Don is greatly missed by his partner, Sue Baker and her son, Shayne; her siblings, Colin (Deborah), Jenny (Jerry) and Wendy (Les) and their families; Don's siblings and three nieces, MaryLynne, Eugenie, Rosanne and their families; as well as the Western "family" of friends. Don made best of friends with Sue's dog Abby and they became inseparable. They will be having fun together again now. The many hikes, ski trips, ski days, holiday adventures and happy times hold wonderful memories.

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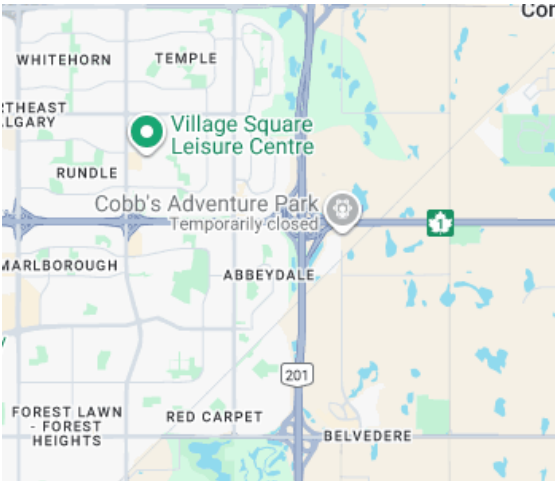
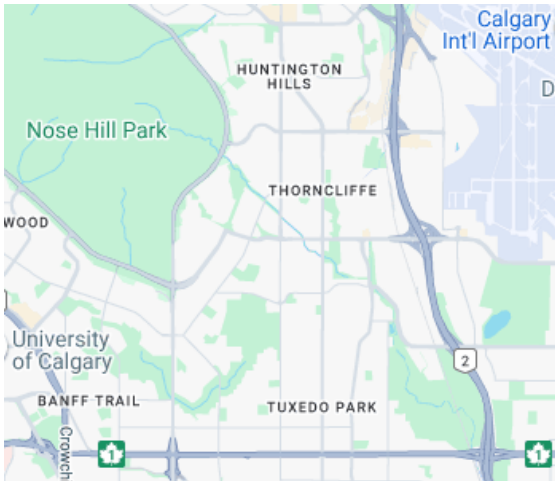
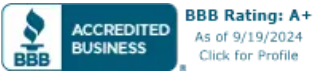
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