

# Celebrating THE LIFE OF



Sam's Family would like to thank everyone for the attendance and support.

Please join us for light refreshments and a time of comradeship immediately following Sam's service. We look forward to your presence as we celebrate and honour the life of our beloved Sam.



## Ian George Harvey

"Sam the Man"

07.11.1937



14.08.2023



# Sam the Man's Story

## Childhood & Military Service

Sam grew up in Arrowtown with his grandparents and later moved to Glenorchy working the General Store for his Aunt and Uncle. He enlisted in the CMT in 1956 staying until 1959 before transferring to the RF. At age 21, Sam was a Private in the 2nd New Zealand Regiment, serving for 2 years in the jungles of Malaya.



## Being a Grandparent

in the new millennium, the arrival of his 3 granddaughters brought him great joy as well as the chance to teach fun, games and mischief to a new generation as "Poppy". He was loving, caring, interested, and involved and would light up whenever Ruby, Maggie or Ella were around. The tradition of Thursday Family Tea Night commenced on the Kapiti Coast in 2006 and continued on when Sam moved to Southland in 2018 with roast pork belly becoming a firm favourite.



## Family Life

Sam worked hard and played hard. In the 70s & 80s our home was a very social place hosting family and friends for BBQ, birthdays, dinners. Fishing was a huge passion and weekends were spent out on the boat with friends exploring Durville Island. We had wonderful camping holidays together and travelled to Cromwell to be with Sam's parents, siblings, and cuzzies.



## Final Years

In 2021, we took our last big roadie to Haast to whitebait and see Lake Paringa and the Haast Road which Sam had helped construct in the 1960s. The last few years of Sam's health weren't flash but through those times Sam remained a kind, hopeful, happy-go-lucky man with a cheek sense of humour. As a family, if we were eating, drinking, telling tall tales and talking nonsense we were pretty happy, but none of us more so than "Sam the Man".

