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My grandpa Frank John Bali was born March 14, 1941 in Kipling, Saskatchewan, Canada. He grew up in Langbank, Saskatchewan, Canada. When he went to school it was Kindergarten to Grade 12. It was not very big. There only about 80-100 kids in the whole school. He lived in a farming and ranching community. 90% of the people farmed and ranched as a living. It was very cold there in the winter. It could get as cold as 40 below. When he was a kid, he had to take care of cows, pigs, horse, turkey, geese chickens and the dogs. He had 1 brother and 1 sister.

When he was younger, he got on bareback horses. The biggest rodeo he went to was Leapark. It was one of the biggest rodeos in Canada. I took after him and am the third generation, rough stock rider in my family.

He liked to hunt. He would hunt anything. He would also guide people from the United States on hunts. He was very proud of all the gifts he would get from the hunters. Once he was outside doing chores and a black bear came. He killed it with an axe. He also like to fish. He liked to fish for Walleye.

He was a very hard worker. He would milk cows in the morning. In the winter time they would have to use horses to take hay to the cows. In the summer time they planted hay and grain. One time was fixing fence a piece of wire went up in between his eye lid and eye ball. He almost lost his eye.

His dad came to Canada from Hungary. He spoke Hungarian very well all of his life. He liked to cook Hungarian foods like perogies and paprika chicken.

He passed away in an accident with wife Morene when I was in Kindergarten. I never got to meet them, because they still lived in Canada. I was very sad that I didn't get to meet them.