

## Kevin Patrick Ley (Kev)

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On 2<sup>nd</sup> January one of our former Maleny Catholic Community members was born into eternal life.

Kev with his wife Beryl spent most of their married life on a dairy & beef property called "Mittadale" at Proston. Here they raised their 5 children, Patricia, Tony, Carmel, Sue & Shane. He was very much involved in the Proston Tennis, Cricket & Bowls clubs.

Kev & Beryl suffered along with all farmers with the constant uncertainty of the weather. They sold the property and retired to Buderim before later moving to Maleny so as to enjoy the country atmosphere. Kev kept a dexter cow and calf on his property in Gibson Avenue to eat the grass which saved him mowing. All the neighbours would give the cow their grass clippings.

He will be remembered in Maleny as one of the many workers who spent hours working on the extensions to our church. He composed a poem which is framed and hanging in the Pat Daley Function Room as a reminder to all who contributed to the extension. (see pp9-10). At the end of the day the workers would have a beer which Kev enjoyed, this was the start of Happy Hour, and it has continued each Thursday since. Beryl & Kev were the instigators of the Rosary Group which still gathers on each Wednesday morning.

Kev & Beryl's home was always open to visitors & his sense of humor was a delight to witness. Kev was a great family man as testified by his children, grandchildren & great grandchildren who referred to him as Gramps. He loved a game of pool and hosted many pool parties.

Kev & Beryl moved from Maleny and took up residence in Little Mountain Retirement Village at Caloundra, where they spent some years before Kev became ill and then moved to Bellevue Care Centre at Ferny Hills Brisbane, to be near family.

He was farewelled by his family and friends at St. Peter Chanel Church – The Gap on 7<sup>th</sup> January.

The interment of his ashes will take place at the Maleny Sacred Heart Catholic Church Columbarium at a later date.

**GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN  
MAY HE REST IN PEACE**

