



*Vale*  
**Arthur Robert Maxwell**  
*17th May 1934 - 2nd April 2017*

He always had a happy smile and a warm word of welcome whenever you met him - in his bakery, or on the street, or on the Bowling green or maybe not on the football field after he had tackled you - but it was always a pleasure to meet and talk with Arthur Robert Maxwell.

This was made very clear to all his friends who had gathered with Arthur's family at the Kingston Cemetery on Thursday afternoon, 20th April to pay their last respects.

Tim Sheridan conducted the service and in his opening remarks he said, "friends, we gather today to lay Arthur Robert Maxwell to his final resting place. On behalf of the family, I would like to thank all of you for coming here today. Arthur passed suddenly in Sydney after a period of illness and his earthly remains were cremated prior to coming home for this service.

We gather to comfort each other in our grief and to honour the life Arthur led. A life that was full of hope, happiness, sadness, laughter and love...through good times as well as bad. This is the way the family would want us all to remember Arthur. A life that was taken away too soon, too soon for Arthur and too soon for his family, as many did not have sufficient time together with Arthur to say their farewells to him. Today we do this with them.

Our thoughts are with his family today especially his wife Connie, their children Andrew, Steven and Sarah and partners plus all of their children and all Arthur's grandchildren.

Tim Pearson then read the following Eulogy:-

"Arthur was born 17.05.1934 in Taihape New Zealand to Herbert and Francis Maxwell. He had 3 brothers and four sisters. The family moved to various towns in the North Island until settling in Auckland where he finished school.

Herbert bought a bakery in Auckland where the majority of family worked and Arthur learnt his trade as a baker and pastry cook.

Arthur married his high school sweetheart Connie Bell in 1954. Andrew was born in 1957 and Stephen

in 1958. Arthur had his own bakery until in December 1966, the family moved to Norfolk Island after answering an advertisement for a pastry cook from Mr Vink. That only lasted a few months and Arthur and Connie moved shop to Middlegate.

The premises proved too small and they moved their bakery to the Hospital corner. This proved to be a God send to the young and restless after Friday night at the Paradise for midnight snacks.

Goldie Buffet built their family home at Cutter's Corn, where Arthur and Connie have lived ever since.

Their daughter Sarah was born in 1972. Arthur and Connie sold the Maxwell's bakery in 1979, and he later went to work in Foodland until the Maxwell family bought Barney Duffy's in 1987 where he worked until retirement in 2001, when Barney's was sold.

Arthur and Connie travelled the world extensively, a lot of the times with their long time friends Ron and Alice Iles.

Arthur has passed on his love of cooking throughout his family, his children and grandchildren have all shared in his passion and helped Arthur in the kitchen over the years.

Family has always been the major of importance to Arthur. He supported, laughed and glowed with pride whenever someone achieved their best, be it school, sport, work or just life.

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**Arthur Robert Maxwell - continued**

Arthur loved sport from a young man, playing cricket, soccer, later after moving to Norfolk Island he played for the Reds Football team, was a keen golfer for years, and changed to lawn bowls, where he took out the Bounty bowls competition one year.

In retirement he continued mowing lawns and baking for the Sunday markets. In later years he loved travelling with the family.

Arthur will be sorely missed by everyone”.

The following Eulogy, from the Maxwell families in New Zealand was also received:- “Dear Connie and Family, Our deepest sympathy to you and the family at this very sad time. Arthur is remembered as a valued member of the Norfolk Island society, a great husband and a loving father and grandfather.

Brother Bob (Arthur Robert) was loved by his brothers and sisters and their families, namely Herby and Evelyn, Margaret and Doug, Colin, Pat and Jack, Val and Tom, Bev and Bill and Peter and Jeanne. There were 8 children in Arthur’s family 4 girls, 4 boys with Arthur being Number 7 and now there are 4. There were 19 nieces and nephews in all. A fun uncle and a special brother to Peter just 18 months younger. Bob loved his island and he and the family worked hard in the businesses he ran. I am sure you will all agree a great baker. We often had a chance to catch up when Bob and Connie were leaving or returning from travel via New Zealand. We will miss the email jokes and his ready laugh and quick humour. A fine man at peace, rest easy dear brother,

Our love and prayers Peter and Jeanne and the Maxwell families.”

There then followed a pause for a moment of reflection on Arthurs’s life whilst floral tributes were laid.

Tim then continued with the service - “As we now lay the remains of Arthur to his final resting place I leave you all with these words. Arthur believed in Family, he loved his family, his wife, his children but especially his grandchildren

As we hold Arthur in our hearts and memories from this day forward, we commit ourselves to carrying Arthur with us always. We honour his memory by the following promises: to treat our friends and family members the way that Arthur did...with a caring heart and honest interaction; to move through life with a quick wit, generous laugh, and brilliant smile; and the commitment to holding our hearts open to allow others into our lives with the intention of creating and honouring the Maxwell family”.

The Pitcairn Anthem - “Come Ye Blessed” brought the service to a conclusion.

**Thank You**

The family of the late Arthur Maxwell would also like to put out a big ‘thank you’ to Tim Sheridan, Tim Pearson, Tim Thompson, Bruce and Grace Hutton, Don and the Island Band, Shane Quintal, Edie Christian, Jan and Vince Reeves, Chris Gatehouse and everyone else who made the day run so smoothly.

**No Paper on the 6th May.**

Oh how time flies. It’s been just over 3 months since my ‘oooooppppsie’ and the time has come to return to Sydney to my breathing specialist for my check up.

I fly out on the 1st May returning, hopefully everyone being happy, the 8th May.

**Therefore there will be no edition of The Norfolk Islander on 6th May.**

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*When- May 7th*

*Where- Emily Bay*

*What time- 6.30 am*

Well ladies its the time of year again. Come on girls give it a go....

Swim- 2 laps around the raft from the beach

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