

Rees Steele Davies 1940 – 2020

At Wellesley 1951 - 1953

Born in Lower Hutt on the 10th of August 1940, Rees grew up in Richmond St, Petone. Rees boarded at Wellesley from 1951 - 1953. After finishing secondary school at Hutt Valley High, he worked on various farms around the Masterton area but after a serious accident with a bull that left him in hospital for some six months, he had to consider different employment options. Rees completed his Boilermakers apprenticeship at W.M Cable Limited, Wellington in 1963, and for most of his working life, he worked in the saw milling and quarry industries in the Wellington area.

Rees married Cheryl in 1964 and had two sons – Alwyn born 1965 and Peter in 1967.

In approx. 1980, he became the maintenance engineer at the Wellington Racing Club in Trentham. Whilst working at the Club, he would go the extra mile to see that local organisations and events promoters got exactly what they needed. Upon retiring from the racecourse, he spent time caring for his aging mother. In 2018, Rees moved from Upper Hutt to Feilding. He passed away on the 21st of April 2020, in his 79th year.

