



## News Release

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### Labour movement mourns the passing of Garth Ivey

The labour movement is mourning the passing of Garth Ivey, one of the most prominent veterans of the province's building trade unions.

He was business manager of the Saskatchewan Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council.

Garth Ivey was a journeyman in the electrician trade. He began his involvement with organized labour in 1971 when he became recording secretary of Local 2038 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. He held that position until 1984 when he was elected president of the local.

Garth Ivey served as president of IBEW Local 2038 for almost two decades, until becoming business manager for the provincial trades council in 2002.

Mr. Ivey had extensive experience in both the industrial and commercial sectors of the construction industry, and served in supervisory roles on numerous projects.

He also served on a number of important boards, including the Occupational Health and Safety Council, the Labour Force Development Board, as vice-chair of the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission and chair of the Electrician Trade Board.

Saskatchewan Federation of Labour president Larry Hubich said, "Garth was a great friend of all working people. He devoted most of his life to making workplaces more humane for workers. Garth was a skilled and capable leader who employed his considerable talents for the betterment of his fellow human beings. We will miss him."

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