

Alan Edward Filmer, K.C.

Alan died suddenly, but peacefully, at home on the morning of Christmas Eve. He is survived by Margaret, his loving wife of 60 years, his son Cam (Helena), daughter Megan (John), and grandchildren Caileigh and Katherine Filmer, and Cara and Alan McLachlan.

Born in Nanaimo in 1937, he attended U.B.C. where he earned a B.Comm and Law Degree. He met his wife, Margaret, when both were in their final years of university. They married that same year, 1963, with the reception on the front lawn of her parents, Jean and Ted Baynes.

Alan had a distinguished law career, starting as defence lawyer and Crown Counsel in Nanaimo, Regional Crown Counsel in Vancouver, and then Assistant Deputy Attorney General in Victoria, where he was awarded a Queen's Counsel.

In 1988, Alan was appointed as a BC Provincial Court Judge where he served for 20 years. Here, he was respected by all for his courtesy, innovative thinking, and work ethic. Both in criminal and civil cases, he listened carefully and helped to guide the parties to a fair and equitable solution. He was dedicated to supporting a justice system that ran smoothly, efficiently, and compassionately.

At home, Alan was a lifelong keen golfer, enjoying the game and camaraderie for many years with his special chums at Uplands Golf Course. He also loved the game of bridge, both duplicate and social, which he played right until the week before his death. He was devoted to his family, whose hearts and lives have been enriched and strengthened by his steadfast love, wicked sense of humour, and wise advice.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a donation to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

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