

Anthony Frank Grimston

Passed away on June 20, 2008 with his son and daughter at his side. Born in Victoria on May 17, 1920. Tony was predeceased by his beloved wife, Freda of 37 years and is survived by his son, Michael (Laury); daughter, Joanne Fraser (Bill); grandchildren, Cameron, Dale, Jordan and Meaghan and his sister, Pam Kirchin. Tony served in the Royal Canadian Corps. of Signals during WWII. He was in the Battle for Hong Kong and taken prisoner on Christmas Day 1941 and spent 44 months as a Japanese PoW. After Liberation, Tony returned to Victoria and was employed by the Department of National Defence as Chief Personnel Administrator, CFB Esquimalt. He retired in 1978. After retirement Tony and Freda enjoyed many good years together travelling until her passing in 1987. Tony had a passion for gardening and loved fishing with his buddies. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He will be dearly missed by all who loved and knew him. The family would like to offer their heartfelt thanks to all the staff at The Lodge at Broadmead for their devoted care and support, especially to Randy Murdock, dad's friend, close companion and advocate over the past three years. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Broadmead Lodge Foundation, 4579 Chatterton Way, Victoria, BC, V8X 4Y7 or the War Amps of Canada, 1 Maybrook Drive, Scarborough, Ontario, M1V 5K9.

Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 4635 Elk Lake Drive, Saanich on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 12:00 Noon with a reception to follow in the Church Hall. Private family interment.