

“Bob” Leong Kai Lee

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023 at 1:30 pm

SEQUOIA CENTRE AT MCCALL GARDENS

4665 FALAISE DRIVE, VICTORIA BC

Bob Leong Kai Lee, age 88, passed away peacefully on January 18, 2023 at the Victoria Chinatown Care Home.

Predeceased by his father, Lee Hoy, his mother, Sui Tai Mui, older brothers, Leong On and Leong Choy. He is survived by his wife, Teresa Oi Lin and daughters Josie (Claude), Jess (Greg), sons Chris, Larry (Yoko), grandchildren Zeina, Lisette, Nooran, Janessa, Kai and Jay.

Bob was born in Guangdong, China. He was the 3rd and last son born to Lee Hoy and Sui Tai Mui. He, his mom and middle brother fled China in his early years during the war. In 1953 he emigrated to Fiji Islands to join his father and older brother. Eventually the whole family were together in Fiji. There, Bob met Teresa through friends. They married on May 30, 1959. They had 4 children – 2 girls – (Josie and Jess) and 2 boys (Chris and Larry).

Bob had a general merchandise store in Lautoka, Fiji. He, his wife, Teresa and 2nd brother worked hard, tirelessly managing the store. He had one employee, Singh. They delivered goods to customers while his mother and Teresa took care of the children. He loved taking photos with his camera and developing the black and white photos himself.

In 1970, Bob moved his family to Canada to seek a better life. He landed in Vancouver then Victoria where his older brother was already established. In 1971, Bob purchased a grocery store and called it Riteway Grocery. He and Teresa worked long, hard hours to save money for their family.

In 1992, Bob retired from the grocery business. He loved

fixing things around the house. He enjoyed going to Tai Chi and socializing with the other elders there. He enjoyed listening to Cantonese opera on his cassette/radio player. Even though he was quiet, he was a jokester and had a good sense of humour.

He spent his final years at the Victoria Chinatown Care Centre. The staff loved Bob, saying how courteous he was. The family wishes to thank Dr. Snodgrass and to all the wonderful staff at Victoria Chinatown Care Centre for their care and compassion.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, Victoria BC, on Friday, March 10 at 1:30 pm, interment to follow at Royal Oak Burial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations in Bob Lee's memory may be made to the Victoria Chinatown Care Centre. If you are unable to attend in person, please join us virtually via zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84216635165?pwd=WW96ZDdxdm0xSz1JUmY5S3FzSjE4UT09>

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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