

# Cecil Hobson Humble

Humble, LCdr Cecil Hobson "Jack", CD2

September 20, 1920 – March 18, 2009

Born in Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. Joined the Royal Navy as a Ganges Boy at the age of fourteen and became a commissioned Gunner in May 1945. Emigrated to Canada in 1956, and transferred to the Royal Canadian Navy as a Gunnery Officer (Lt). Postings included Gunnery School (Osborne Head) 1956-58; JONQUIERE 1958-60; and VENTURE 1960-66, where he helped develop the Sunset Ceremony and survival training at EXPED. Promoted to LCdr, he was posted to the Bos'n School (Cornwallis) in 1966, followed by Seamanship Division at Fleet School (Halifax) in 1968. Served as Base Social Conditions and Welfare Officer (Stadacona) 1968-70 during the KOOTENAY disaster. Retired to Victoria in Feb 1971 after 37 years of naval service.

Following his retirement from the Navy, he dedicated his life to the service of others as a volunteer; and worked as a Social Worker with the City of Victoria and the BC Provincial Government. Recognized for his 35 years of tireless dedication and leadership in the Boy Scouts of Canada, rising to the level of Assistant Provincial Commissioner. Established and served Fairfield New Horizons as the Musical Coordinator and Director of the Weekly Fairfield Sing-Along for 12 years.

Predeceased by wife Joy (Dunn) in 2005. Survived by son Christopher (Shelley) of Victoria, BC; grandchildren Jade of Calgary; Craig (Shima) of Tokyo; Amber (Clayton Mulholland) of Courtenay, BC (great grandchildren Owl, Coyote and Raven); son Cdr. Robert of Halifax, NS; grandchildren Arwen of Pensacola FL (great grandchildren Bronwen and Atticus), Linnet of Fredericton, Elspeth, Meade, and Rowan of Halifax; Survived by brother George; nephew Deric (Marie); and brother John (Patricia) of Toronto, ON.

Visitation will be held on Monday 23 March 2009, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM, at McCall's Funeral Directors, 1400 Vancouver St., Victoria, BC.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM, on Tuesday 24 March 2009, at Fairfield United Church, 1303 Fairfield Rd., Victoria, BC. Reception will follow.

In memory of Jack, donations can be made to the "Keep a Song in Your Heart" music program at the Fairfield Activity Centre, 380 Cook St. Victoria, BC V8V 3X7; a community organization to which Jack devoted his retirement years.