David Michael Bethune

We are devastated to announce the sudden and unexpected passing of our brother David in Victoria on June 2, 2025.

Dave grew up in Barrie, Ontario where he attended St. Monica's Elementary and Eastview Secondary. He went on to earn a math degree at Waterloo University and spent some time living in Toronto before making his way out west to Victoria in 1989 with his brother Kevin. Dave worked at the Royal Scot Hotel for 34 years and retired in 2023. He made many good friends during his years there and cherished those friendships.

Dave had a wicked sense of humor and was an avid reader and puzzle enthusiast. Dave was an incredibly intelligent guy with a vast knowledge of geography, history and world politics. He had a deep respect for the military and never missed a Remembrance Day ceremony. Dave was an excellent soccer and rugby player in high school as well as Club play, and he loved watching both, especially his beloved Celtics and Arsenal. He was also a football and hockey fan, and he enjoyed playing golf. Dave also had a lifelong love for anything trains, from travel to model railways.

Dave had fond memories of his trips to England, Belgium (Brugge), Palm Springs, Whistler, Scotland and especially Ireland where his family roots are. He was so looking forward to travelling to Italy, Spain, and Portugal. He loved the history and architecture in Europe.

David is predeceased by his parents Mary and Alban Bethune, and leaves behind his brothers Terry (Josie), Brian (Penny), Kevin (Arlene), sister Eileen, and nieces Sarah, Leena and nephews Michael and Ian. Dave was also deeply loved by his extended family in Victoria.

RIP Dave. You will be incredibly missed. XO.

No service is planned at this time.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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