

Everett Creelman

Dad passed away peacefully at Veterans Memorial Lodge. Predeceased by his daughter Donna in 2002, left to honour his memory, are his devoted wife of 74 years Thelma, daughters Connie (Steve) & Kathy, grandchildren, David (Gayla), Scott, Catherine, Holly & Jodi , great grandchildren , Lukas, Sam, Quinn and Colton.

He was born in Nipawin, SK, the youngest of 4. Raised on a farm during the depression, there were lots of chores & lots of freedom. They enjoyed a rough & tumble life but never wanted for anything. He enjoyed playing all sports especially hockey. Dad moved to Victoria in 1942 when his father was stationed here during the war.

A welder by trade, he worked at Yarrows shipyard, then Coast Metal Craft, fabricating wrought iron railings, fences & other ornamental designs. With his ingenuity, his natural ability to engineer & fabricate, Hijacker Camper Jacks were born. With a partner, Clive Cameron, they started Victoria Industries to manufacture their product – HIJACKER JACKS and became leaders in the RV industry. He set a standard for his business ethics & his support of his employees.

Dad joined the View Royal Volunteer Fire Dept. in 1956 & retired in 1986 as Deputy Chief. He spent countless hours volunteering for the community. After retirement, Dad & Mom joined the JDF seniors centre, where they brought their special energy to everything they participated in.

Together, with the love of his life, Thelma, they created a loving home for their 3 girls. He was so proud of his family. His grandchildren adored him & he had a special relationship with each one. Our home in View Royal (that Dad built) was the center of our family & friends. There was always a reason to celebrate, play cards & entertain, – they were generous

hosts. They camped, cruised, took bus, road & overseas trips, creating wonderful memories with everyone.

Messages coming in from the community recall his kindness, sense of fun, work ethic and integrity. He was highly respected . A man who did the right thing, even when no one was watching...

Up until his passing, Dad remained in good spirits; he joked with & teased the staff. He was well liked at Broadmead Lodge & we thank them for their kindness.

A Celebration of his life will be held at 2:00pm, on Thursday, October 27, 2022, in the Sequoia Centre, at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, Reception to follow. Instead of flowers, donate to a charity or buy yourself some flowers & enjoy a memory of Everett.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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