

Geoffrey D.T. Shaw

Geoffrey David Thompson Shaw passed away surrounded by the love of his family on March 28, 2023, following a courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Vancouver on July 5, 1955. Geoff was predeceased by his father Millo; and is survived by his loving wife Caroline; children James, Joshua (Sara), Tatiana, Alexandra (Toan), and Willem; his mother Julia; siblings Millo, Jennifer (Tom) and Michelle (Cam); his father-in-law Pieter; and numerous nieces and nephews. Geoff loved his family as much as they loved him.

Geoff grew up and was educated in Vancouver, Kenya, Victoria and Winnipeg, receiving his PhD in history from the University of Manitoba. He served as a Professor of History for the American Military University, and was President of the Alexandrian Defence Group. Geoff's book, *The Lost Mandate of Heaven*, was published by Ignatius Press in 2015. He wrote and spoke extensively on military history, particularly the American intervention in Vietnam and the Middle East. In retirement, he pursued his interest in gunsmithing. Geoff liked hiking, especially with his "wolves" Timber and Howlie, as well as camping and cross-country skiing. He had a great love of music and enjoyed playing the guitar, and was a founding member of a Winnipeg band in his earlier years. Above all, Geoff's Christian faith was central to his life, work and family.

The Requiem Mass will be held at 2:00 pm Monday, April 3, 2023 at the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Evangelist, 990 Falmouth Road, Victoria, BC with Archbishop Shane Janzen to officiate.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing" (2 Timothy 4: 7-8).

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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