

# Gordon James Powell

POWELL, Gordon James C.D. – It is with deep sadness that we, his family, announce Gord's passing on December 7, 2003 in Victoria, BC. Gord will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Ruth; dear children, Jillian (Dan), Megan (Jim), and Hugh; also his much loved grandchildren, Nikolaus, Nathan and Tia. Gord was predeceased by his parents, Jim and Kay; and brother, Clarke. He is survived by brother, Ralph; sisters, Sheila, Kathleen and Linda. Gord was born and grew up in Kingston, Ont. At age 12 he became an enthusiastic Sea Cadet at RCSC St. Lawrence, Kingston. Gord was chosen as 1 of 25 cadets in Canada to participate in the 1st post-war exchange to England making friends he kept for life. As Executive Officer of the Kingston Sea Cadets he helped many young people reach their potential. Gord was an Honorary National Life Member in the Navy League of Canada, past 1st Vice President, Ont. Division of the Navy League of Canada. He also spent numerous years as President of the Burlington Branch of the Navy League, greatly influencing the young people of Burlington Iron Duke Sea Cadets, many of whom still keep in touch. In recognition of his years of service with the Iron Duke Cadet Branch, a building was named in his honour.

In 1952 Gord received his commission in the RCN Reserve, and thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the navy life. He retired in 1964 and retaining