John Charles Thomas (Jack) Bryce

Jack died peacefully on August 12, after a long struggle with cancer.

Jack was born in Saskatoon, and grew up in Swift Current, Vancouver Island and Edmonton. After studying math and physics at the University of Alberta, he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force, becoming a navigator. His work in search and rescue, transport command and air defence took him all over the world and to postings throughout Canada and the United States.

In 1996, Jack retired from the Air Force as a major, and he came home to Victoria with his family. In his retirement, he took a job providing security at Government House, and spent many of his years there working alongside his wife, Jan. He finally retired in 2017. Throughout his retirement, he was active in the Vancouver Island Aircrew Association.

In his leisure time, Jack enjoyed watching old movies; he was an accomplished solver of crossword puzzles, a keen observer of politics, and a lover of cats. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Jack was predeceased by his parents, Charlie and Elizabeth. He is survived by Jan, his wife of nearly 52 years, his children, Jennifer (Peter) and Jamie, his siblings Hugh (Dorell), Marian (John) and Medi, and his grandchildren Julian and Evan.

Special thanks to the doctors at the Cancer Clinic in Victoria, and to the staff at Saanich Peninsula Hospital and Victoria General Hospital who took excellent care of Jack in his final weeks.

A memorial Mass will be held on October 10 at 11:00, at St. Elizabeth’s Catholic Church, Sidney.

Condolences and shared memories may be offered to the family below.

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