

# John Edward Driedger

April 19, 1941 – August 25, 2009

John passed away August 25, 2009 with his family by his side. He faced his final moments with courage and dignity. John lived his life a free spirit (Sometimes to the frustration of the local authorities and exasperation of his children). John loved to laugh and enjoyed practical jokes. He enjoyed beach combing and creating driftwood art for local children to enjoy. As a young man he entertained family and friends by playing the guitar and singing his favourite country tunes. John thoroughly enjoyed his work as a journeyman electrician. While working at the Department of National Defence he met Len Lightfoot who became his closest friend. This last year was magical for dad – he met Marny and they shared a very special bond. We are grateful to Marny for the love and care she gave dad in his final weeks, as well as, his friends Len and Joan who supported us through this difficult time.

John was predeceased by his wife Annette. Left to mourn his passing are his children Brenda Driedger (Rob Brown), Myrna Seel (Rory), Jane Devana, Colleen Crisp (Mark), Richard Driedger; 14 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, special friends Marny Wakefield and Len and Joan Lightfoot, as well as brothers, sisters and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday September 13th at Paul's Motor Inn in the Upstairs Lounge, 1900 Douglas Street, Victoria BC.