

John Hunter Patterson

October 8, 1921 – March 3, 2015

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our family patriarch, John Hunter Patterson. After a fourteen year battle with cancer, John died peacefully at home surrounded by his loving wife and family. John was born in the small coal mining town of Sydney Mines, Cape Breton, N.S. He was predeceased by his brothers; Joseph (killed WWII), Robert, Sid, Angus, Quincy, Allen, George, Gordon and Neil.

He is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Kathleen (Kay Mitchell) and seven children; Marilyn (Len), Margaret (Bob), Cathy, Michael (Lynn), David, Ron (Julie), and Richard (Heidi), as well as thirteen grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Dad joined the RCAF as soon as he was old enough. After serving at Pat Bay where he met his sweetheart Kay, and later in Alaska, he settled in Victoria. He found work in the elevator trade, working for Otis Elevator for 42 years. For many years he represented his fellow workers as Shop Steward for the I.U.E.C. Local 82. In spite of all the long hours of work and union activities, he still found time to spend with his family, taking them on many fishing and camping trips. He enjoyed his retirement years gardening, fishing, woodworking, enjoying wildlife, walking in the woods, and spending his evenings reading.

Special thanks to Dr. Mawdsley and to the "Nurse Next Door" for the home care and compassion provided by Christine, Estelle and Christine.

A memorial service will be held Saturday March 14th at 2:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, located on the corner of Douglas and Broughton Streets. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to BC Cancer Foundation, 2410 Lee Ave.,

Victoria, BC, V8R 6V5.

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