

# John “RaLph” Weber

Ralph Weber passed away peacefully at the age of 93 at Mount St. Mary Hospital, Victoria, BC with family by his side. Predeceased by his wife Irene on March 06<sup>th</sup>, 2004, daughter Bonnie Jones on November 08<sup>th</sup>, 2015, and his first wife Marie on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 1973.

Survived by his brother Walter Weber (Janet); his sister Winona Przewloka; daughter Elizabeth Zilkie (Barry); son-in-



law Gordon Jones; step children, James Scollan (Caroline), John Scollan (Vea), Bonnie McMurren, Mary Jane Kellington, and Lorraine Scollan. He leaves behind his grandchildren, Shannon Sondrol, Heather Jones (Shawn), Lindsay Kellington, Jim Scollan Jr. (Maria), David Scollan, Tyson McMurren (Corinne), Chad McMurren (Amy), Carrie McMurren, Ryley Leckie (Claire), Myles Leckie, Brighton Leckie and his great

grandchildren, Everett and Eligh Jeffrey, Kyra Scollan, Sadie and Chloe McMurren, Connor and April McMurren, and Olivia and Paige Scollan. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews.

Ralph was born in Cupar, Saskatchewan. In his younger days, he helped his Dad farm 320 acres in Dysart, Saskatchewan. After leaving home, he worked on a ranch, breaking horses and herding cattle. He and the other ranch hands frequently held their own rodeos for fun.



He trained for the army as a corporal and worked in the officer's mess as a cook. He met his first wife, Marie Rebryna, in a restaurant in Calgary, she a waitress, he a



waiter. They owned a cafe for a short time in Sherwood Park. He later worked as a supervisor for the oil industry in Fort Saskatchewan, Edmonton, Fort St. John, Burstall Sask. and Winnipeg.

He met his second wife, Irene Thurston, in Winnipeg. Ralph was a skilled guitar player and he and Irene enjoyed many



years of music and singing together.

They treasured their evenings at Otter Falls, singing songs around the campfire with family and friends. They travelled extensively in Canada and the US in their RV and enjoyed good times boating and

fishing.

After retiring to Victoria, BC, Ralph took up wood carving and



spent hours meticulously carving life-like replicas of birds. He was an active floor curler and he and his team competed at several BC Senior games. He and Irene were devoted supporters of their church, Our Lady Queen of Peace. Ralph was the chief coffee maker for after mass social gatherings for

many years.

We would like to extend our sincere thank-you to all the staff at Mount St. Mary Hospital for their compassionate care of Ralph in the last few months of his life.

A memorial mass will be held at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church



at 849 Old Esquimalt Road, Victoria, BC on Wednesday, August 09, 2017 at 12:10 p.m. Rev. Fr. John Domotor officiating. Interment to follow at Ross Bay Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Mount St. Mary Hospital would be appreciated.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.



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