Lorne Russell Thornton

Lorne passed away peacefully on October 24, 2019. He was born on August 7, 1928 in Chilliwack, BC, but spent most of his life in Victoria. In his early years as a carpenter, he worked for Dillabough and Luney Construction but later had his own construction company with his son Russell. A passionate and skilled fisherman, he had many fishing buddies over the years but none as devoted as his good friend Bob Mills.



Lorne is survived by his wife of almost 70 years Vi, children, Debbie (Greg), Donna (Gary), Russell (Angie), Diana (Rick), Rick (Jodi), 11 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his sister Shirley (Ken), and brothers Ron, Doug and Tim (Marge).

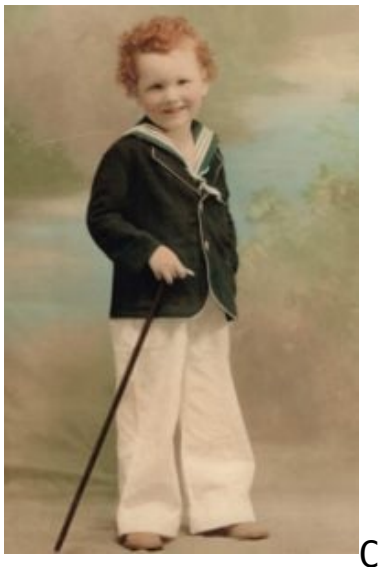
Many thanks to Dr. Alex Walton for the extraordinary care he provided during these last years and to Dr. Stephanie Brown who expertly and compassionately guided our family through Dad’s final days.

Thanks also to his Community Health Case Manager, Joan Henderson, who enabled Dad to stay in the family home he constructed until his final week of life.



No service by request.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Red Cross.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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