

Montague Lawrence Tyrwhitt-Drake

Born in Victoria, B.C., October 14, 1922, passed away peacefully on May 15, 2015. He was predeceased by his parents, Constance Letitia Lawrence and Brian Halsey Tyrwhitt-Drake. He is survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Nancy Tyrwhitt-Drake, his daughter Elizabeth (Ladi) Holovsky, sons Monty and Guy and 2 grandchildren, James and Thomas Tyrwhitt-Drake.

After graduating from Shawnigan Lake School in 1939, he began his studies at McGill University. World War 2 intervened and Monty served overseas in Europe, landing at Sword Beach on D-Day. Monty met Nancy Lang, a Red Cross ambulance driver, in Belgium in 1945; they were married in June 1946, in Nancy's hometown of Toronto. Monty graduated from UBC Law School in 1949.

After a short time in Toronto, they moved to Victoria, where he practiced law until appointed to the bench of the County Court in 1962, at that time its youngest member. He served with distinction until his retirement as a Supreme Court Justice in 1997.

Monty will be remembered for his kindness, generosity and wisdom. He was a man of great wit and erudition and he valued brevity. His wide ranging interests found him equally at home fly fishing the rivers of the world, participating in "all things Jane Austen" and a myriad of activities in between.

The family would like to thank Dr. Ewan Cadger and the staff of Sidney All Care. A donation to the Salvation Army is appreciated.

The funeral will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria,

BC on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 2:30 pm.

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