

Robert Brooks

Robert died peacefully after a courageous battle with MS on December 22, 2020 in Victoria, BC. Bob was born the youngest son of Beatrice and William Brooks on January 22, 1954 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Bob was predeceased by his devoted wife Deb of 29 years, in 2014. He is survived by his Siblings, Joan (Gord), Diane and Brian; his brothers-in-law Bill and Sandy (Deborah); numerous nieces, nephews and their children. Bob will be missed by many neighbours, co-workers and friends; of particular mention are friends who became family Kim, Steven and Aidan also Perry and Corey.

Bob started out his life the youngest of six children in a busy but loving household. Bob entered his teen years just as the 60's revolution was underway. This shaped Bob's ideology of free thought and social political leanings that stayed with him his entire life. Uncle Bob could always be counted on for a spirited debate and was genuinely interested in how someone formed their values. Wanting to make a positive impact, Bob entered Provincial Governmental Affairs. First for the Manitoba Government and then the B.C. Government. One of the largest projects Bob spearheaded was the commissioning of a public community ski hill on the Winnipeg floodway. At the time this was considered an unusual use of government land and ground-breaking in precedence. This ski hill is considered, to this day, one of the top winter activities in southern Manitoba.

In 1985 Bob married the love of his life Deb. Together they travelled the world sharing a love of fine food and wine. Travels took them to their beloved Europe where they would take in the arts and culture. Other times they would jump on a ferry to watch Basketball or catch a Jazz Concert. Bob and Deb enjoyed sharing their adventures with family and friends

through pictures and funny stories. What they have left us is an example of unconditional love and acceptance.

MS entered Bob's life during his prime and he learned to co-exist with the disease. For many years Bob continued to travel and live vigorously, despite barriers the disease presented. When finally, the disease got in his way, Bob passed as he chose to live, on his own terms.

The family wants to thank Bob's healthcare team lead by Dr. Tracy Tresoor and the support given by Dr. Konia Trouton. We are incredibly grateful to Bob's friend and caregiver Kim whose companionship meant everything. Please celebrate Bob's life often by raising a glass in his remembrance and living your own adventures. In lieu of flowers, a donation in the name of Robert Brooks to the BC Wild Animal centre (Wildarc) <https://spca.bc.ca/donations/wild-arc/> would be appreciated.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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