

Robert Edmund Hillcoat Richardson

With profound sadness the Richardson family announces the passing of Robert Richardson on August 6th 2010 at the Saanich Peninsula Hospital, Saanichton, BC.

Bert was predeceased by his parents, Robert Johnson Richardson and Ethel Maude Richardson; his beloved wife Lorna; his nephew Douglas Carbert; his sister Joan Florence Bye and his brothers-in-law James {Jim} Bye and Charles Lloyd Carbert.

Bert will be sadly missed by his 4 sons: Robert [Raquel], Lawrence [Lucille], James [Elsa] and Richard [Oksana] Richardson; his sister-in-law Anne Carbert; his brother-in-law Ed [Denise] Carbert; his nephew Charles John {Budd} [Doris] Carbert; his nieces Lynn [Frank] Jatekos and Lee [Stuart] Simpson and other family members. Bert leaves behind his greatest gifts, his 7 grandchildren: Raquel {Kika}, Robert [Jayme], Anamaria [Milan], Lorelle Anne {Lori Anne}, Monica, Erica and Bogdan and his 3 great grandchildren: Audrey and Niko Basic and Kayden Robert Richardson.

Bert was born in Durham, County of Durham, England on June 25th 1919 and immigrated to Canada 6 weeks later with his mother and father. He was a sailor and traveller from the very beginning. Bert's sister Joan was born on April 19th 1922, and they both attended public school and Port Colborne High School in Port Colborne, Ont. Bert married his life's companion, Lorna Louise Carbert on Sept 10th 1945. He worked for Inco in Port Colborne until 1956 when he moved to California with Lorna and his 3 boys [Robbie, Larry and Jamie] to work as a registered, professional engineer. Bert had a brilliant mind and worked on projects ranging from the NASA space program to nuclear reactors for companies including Kaiser, Bechtel and Fluor Utah. Richard, their fourth son, was born in California

and this completed their family.

Bert loved a seafood feast and listening to his jazz collection. He was a gifted, amateur photographer and loved sailing. He was proud of both of his sailboats, the "Wylde" and later the "Marquesa". He was an active member of the Vallejo Yacht Club in California and was proud to be Commodore of the Power Squadron. Bert and Lorna loved to travel and lived at one time in Sydney, Australia. In 1988, Bert and Lorna decided to retire to Sidney, BC. They were both especially proud of their international family who continue to live in, and travel to, many different parts of the world. Hasta Luego Dad/Bert!

Cremation took place with the help of Sequoia Gardens Memorial on August 11th 2010. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.McCallBros.com A Celebration of Life for Bert and Lorna will be held by family and friends at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cancer Society, the Alzheimer's Society or a charity of your choice.