

Roger Ritchot

Joseph Roger Gilles Ritchot was born on January 13, 1942, in St. Boniface, Manitoba. In January 1960 Roger joined the Royal Canadian Navy, where he remained a member until September 1994. Roger died on June 2, 2021, in Victoria, BC, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was predeceased by his parents Elie and Alice Ritchot, and sisters Claudette and Monique.

He will be greatly missed by his wife of 57 years, Norene; children, Kevin (Riki) and Lynette (James); grandchildren, Jessica (Adrian), Stephanie (Trevor), Fisher and Marin; sister, Jackie (Don) and brother, Peter (Janet); many nieces and nephews and great friends. Being surrounded by family and friends always made Roger very happy. As a boy, he had found memories of fishing with his dad, and the passion for fishing remained with him throughout his life.

He also enjoyed square dancing, skiing, curling and golfing, but his favourite sport was watching hockey (especially "his" Canucks). After retiring in 1994, Roger dedicated a lot of his time to volunteering. He was part of the Langford Emergency Support Service team for 24 years. He also volunteered at the Juan de Fuca Senior Centre Association; washing dishes, facilitating a French class, sitting on the Board of Directors and filling the position of President for three years.

His most rewarding role was that of DJ and host for the Friday night dances and special events, music trivia and sing – a – longs. Roger loved music, and sharing his music collection with others brought him great joy. He prided himself with remembering song requests, and strived to get as many people dancing as possible. Roger was always a very reserved and private person. Through volunteering, others were able to get to know the caring, thoughtful, playful and generous man that he was.

Due to the current restrictions, a service will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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