

William James Elliot Snow

A True Gentleman Passes

Bill went to meet his maker, Lord and friend on February 24, 2010.

Born in Mount Nebo, Saskatchewan on December 1, 1919, Bill grew up in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan and raised his family in Victoria, BC. He was admired and loved by many for his integrity and gentle ways, his competitive spirit and his loyalty.

Bill enjoyed all sports and was, in his humble words, “a fairly decent” ball player (1st base/shortstop) and hockey player (centre). His sports career was interrupted with 3 plus years of service in the RCNVR (Royal Canadian Naval Reserve) where his primary duty was as an anti-submarine detector in the North Atlantic. An avid sports fan, his favourite teams were the Saskatchewan Roughriders, Vancouver Canucks and Boston Red Sox. Bill’s other favourite pastimes were year round gardening in his treasured garden and greenhouse, listening to good music, dancing with his wonderful wife, and enjoying a game of bridge with friends.

Bill’s work career was in the field of office management (Canadian Pacific Express, Solicitor General Dept. – William Head Penitentiary and Dept. of Veteran Affairs). He also took great satisfaction from being in business with his brother, Pat, first in a convenience store in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan and later owning and leasing a warehouse/office facility in Esquimalt,

BC.

Above all Bill was a devoted family man. He would readily tell anyone who asked that his family was his greatest pride, joy and concern. He was cherished by "all his girls". He leaves to mourn his passing, his dearly beloved wife of 52 years, Irene; his daughters Judith Lynn Snow, Leslie Ann (Chris) Hebb, Sandra Rose Snow (Curt Griffiths), Alison Marie (Ian) McKerlich; grandchildren, Lindsey, Drew and Jenna Hebb, Lauren and Gregor Fraser, Taylor and Logan McKerlich; and sister-in-law, Marjorie Snow.

The family wishes to thank Dr, Eric Shafonsky and staff for their compassionate and professional physical care, Monsignor LaPierre for his wise spiritual care and Victoria Hospice and staff for making it possible for Bill to spend his later days in peace and comfort surrounded by the people he so dearly loved.

A Catholic Funeral Mass will be held at Holy Cross Parish (4049 Gordon Head Road) on Friday March 5th at 11:00 a.m. A reception at Holy Cross Hall will follow at 12 Noon. All who wish to attend either one or both to honour Bill and celebrate his life are most welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Victoria Hospice or Red Cross Society.