



JONES, Robert Eaton (Bob)

Born in Blaine Lake Saskatchewan, 1938, the only child of Robert and Fanny Jones, Bob passed away June 22, 2014.

Predeceased by his parents, granddaughter Michelle, his aunt Leona and uncle Colin Drew, and his sister-in-law Carol Cranton. Bob's family was most important to him. Left behind with a lifetime of special memories are, Donna, his precious wife of 56 years, and their children, spouses and grandchildren; Steve, Kathryn, Scot and Reed Jones of Victoria, Colin, Mary Claire Hannan and Spencer Jones of Los Angeles, Carol, George, Bob, Crystal and Brian Lomas of Terrace and Victoria, and Patrick and Karen Jones of Victoria.

Bob Jones and Donna Cranton graduated from Vic High in 1957 and were married on Valentines Day 1958.

Bob joined the telecommunications business with Canadian Telephones and Supplies in the late 1950's. After a few years on the prairies he and Donna moved their young family home to Victoria where Bob enjoyed 42 years with BC Tel and CT&S. He worked for CT&S as an equipment installer and for BC Tel in Central Office engineering. He applied his extensive technical knowledge, precision work and attention to detail to all he did. Bob was instrumental in the transition of Step-by-Step to Electronic Common Control technology on Vancouver Island. Later Bob returned to CT&S and applied his "hands-on" engineering and equipment installation ability to many installations in communities on the BC Coast. His CT&S work took him to places such as Haida Gwaii, Stewart, Terrace, Ocean Falls, and Bella Bella. Bob was instrumental in major installations such as the ProvNet SL100 for the Government of BC in Victoria. He retired from BC Tel in 1996 and considered himself fortunate that he had such a great career in telecommunications.

Bob and Donna enjoyed the family cabin on Pender Island and traveling together to visit the wonderful east coast relatives. His great curiosity for family history, recently researched Donna's long Cranton family roots and presented it, covering an entire wall, at a reunion in Cape Breton.

Politics and current events were always a part of the lively discussions Bob encouraged. It was important to him that we all know what's happening in the world, that we are entitled to our opinions, and he always shared his.

Bob's knowledge, skills, and talents were applied in many areas of interest. A passion for cars that started in the hot-rod days of Victoria in the 50's was passed along to the kids and carries on with the grand-children. Bob wasn't afraid to tackle anything, and had skills in all the trades under his belt; mechanics, plumbing, carpentry, electrical.

He recently completed a restoration of a '62 Falcon and assisted with many other major projects over the years, always with keen attention to detail.

To remember Bob, and in accordance with Bob's wishes, his family invites friends to join them

at the family home, Sunday, June 29, 2014, from 2:00-5:00 P.M. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the B.C. Children's Hospital.

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