



Smith, Earl Harry (1951)

DECEMBER 7, 1933 – OCTOBER 5, 2022

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather Earl Smith at the age of 88 years. He passed away peacefully surrounded by his family. He leaves behind to mourn his passing his wife Marie of 66 years, his sister Anne Millar (from Victoria), his three daughters Linda Smith, Leanne Bertolotti, Rita (Kirby) Humphrey, son Brian (Colleen), and 4 grandchildren, Chantel Bertolotti (Jesse), Jenelle Bertolotti , Brendan Humphrey (Kendra) and Michael Humphrey . Also left to mourn his passing are his two nieces, Janice (Victoria), Joyce (Ian) (Port Moody) and their families as well as his sister-in law, Sylvia-Bews Wright.

Earl was born in Victoria, B.C on Dec 7th 1933. He graduated from Victoria High School in 1951. He then met and married the love of his life Marie Wright in 1956. The family then quickly grew to include his three daughters and one son.

From 1951-1967 Earl worked for the Bank of Montreal travelling with the bank while growing his family. From 1967 to 1973 Earl and Marie owned and operated the Dog & Suds drive in in Kamloops. From 1973 - 1980 he worked for the Bank of B.C. After leaving the bank in 1980, and having a meticulous mind for numbers, Earl and Marie created their own business doing tax returns for many people in the Kamloops area. Earl then went on to become a Chartered Financial Planner and worked for different financial companies in Kamloops, alongside his wife, until they both retired and went on to travel the world.

They travelled to almost every continent in the world. First, for several years they decided to spend the cold winters down south in California or Mexico then later there were trips to Africa with Marie's brother and sister-in-law, lots of cruises with his sister Anne and Danny, trips to Antarctica, China, The Caribbean, Turkey and Egypt, all taken with family and friends. They had many wonderful memories and stories of those trips they used to share with us.

In between their travels they liked to spend time with their now 4 grandchildren, whether it was going to the wildlife park for wild lights, or train rides, or going to any parks really where they could watch the little ones run around. For their 50th wedding anniversary they took all of us on a trip to Disneyland which will never be forgotten by any of them.

Earl loved spending time with his family and friends, always giving us his "infectious smile". Earl was a devout catholic and that faith carried him through the more turbulent times of his life. He was an active member in his church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help church. He was a knight of the 3rd degree with the Knights of Columbus and was always helping in the church with pancake breakfasts, lot patrols, or would be willing do whatever was asked of him by his church.

Earl will be sadly missed, lovingly thought of, and never forgotten by all who knew him. The family wishes to express our deepest thanks to the doctors, nurses and all the care aids from Kamloops Seniors Village who so lovingly looked after and cared for our father like he was their own, we can't thank you enough! In lieu of flowers, Earl would appreciate a donation to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.