



Chuck Rowley (1941)

Charles Ernest Rowley (Chuck) born August 16th 1923, to parents Frank Ernest Rowley & Helen Susannah (nee Sheepwash) Rowley, passed away on September 30th 2022. Aged 99.

He was predeceased by his sisters Gladys Robinson and Florence Parfitt. He is survived by his brother Edward Rowley in Victoria, loving wife Hazel and his five children - Ken (Theresa), Patricia Brady (Murray Safarik) and Glenn who are local in Vancouver, plus Carole-Ann (Steve Kelland) and Pegeen living in the UK. He also has

8 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren plus many nieces and nephews.

Charles was born in Victoria BC and after serving in the Canadian Navy he went on to graduate from UBC. He had a successful career teaching both English and Music at King Edward High and Windermere Secondary and was admired by the students he inspired. During and after his teaching career he pursued his love of music by playing with many different musicians in venues from the Gai Paree Supper Club to the Hotel Vancouver. He played a mean saxophone and clarinet in the early years and later could bang out a great tune on the piano.

His passion for music led him to form a band called the Mixed Bag and his weekends were taken up by constant bookings. His son Glenn was invited to join and they became a major success, with rave reviews.

His love of travel, golf, cooking, gardening, storytelling and of course music has been passed on to his children and grandchildren. He was full of life, laughter and love right to the end. He was so loved by his family and friends and we are going to really miss him! Surrounded by family at his death, we would like to thank all the staff at Richmond General Hospital for their great care.