



**GIBBONS, Richard Stanley (1943)**  
**September 16, 1943 - November 4, 2022**

It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of our father, Richard, on November 4, 2022 at the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Dick, as he was known in most circles, was born and raised in Victoria and grew up in the house that his father and grandfather built on Shelbourne Street. He was the eldest son of Vera and Stan, and brother of Bob (Sofia) and Larry (Lorraine). Dick always said he was lucky enough to have been born in Victoria and smart enough to have stayed! He attended Oaklands, Lansdowne and Victoria High Schools.

He started his extensive career with the Times Colonist at a young age, working his way up from paperboy (the only job he applied for), promoting over the years to advertising sales, and eventually becoming the Classified Advertising Manager. He thoroughly enjoyed his work and especially his many newspaper colleagues, continuing his friendships throughout his life and still meeting for regular lunches with close friends.

Dick was a sports enthusiast! He played hockey from childhood through to Oldtimers, bowled, and loved riding his bike on the many trails from Sooke to Sidney. He was an avid fan of the Canucks and Blue Jays, even when they weren't winning! His greatest lifelong passion however was golf. He was a 60 year member of Uplands Golf Club where he developed many lifelong friendships. His proudest golf accomplishments were obtaining a five handicap and shooting three Holes-In-One.

Family was very important to him, and he was proud of his children, daughter Leslee (Rob) and grandchildren Lauren and Nolan, and son John (Emily). He enjoyed watching and cheering for their respective sporting endeavors and getting together for family celebrations and a Corona (without lime!).

He was a devoted Volvo enthusiast and relished his travels which included Mexico to visit Bob and Sofia, many golf trips, and exploring Eastern Canada and the US.

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