



ABERCROMBIE, Jack Robert (1953)

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Born in Victoria, B.C. on August 20, 1935 Jack passed away unexpectedly in Cowichan District Hospital on October 10, 2023, with his loving wife of nearly 17 years, Jo Bodard, at his bedside. Predeceased by his wife of 47 years Gillian Elizabeth (Jill) and his parents Elmet Wilson and Mura Murdock (Seaman) Abercrombie, he is survived by sons Stephen (Darla), David (Erin) and daughter Elizabeth (John), together with his beloved grandchildren Braelynn, Claire, Thomas, Sarah, and Peter. He is also survived by his brother Danny Abercrombie (Nicci) and their families.

Jack always said he was lucky, and he enjoyed a very full and well-lived life. After graduating from Victoria High School, he articulated for 6 years with the Scottish chartered accountants' firm of Bailey Montieth Holmes in Victoria. As he was only 17 at the time he was called "the Infant". He graduated as a CA in 1958 and moved his family to Vancouver. He worked as a Public Accountant and Income Tax Specialist with the firm McDonald Currie and conducted special investigations for both the BC Attorney General's Office and the RCMP "E" division in Burnaby. This led him to becoming a professional witness in BC Securities Act cases. He then went on to setting up computer systems in Victoria, Vancouver, and the BC Interior. He managed both Public and Private Businesses, usually at the request of the bank. He reviewed prospectuses for public share and bond issues taking him to Montreal, Toronto, New York, Chicago, and other US cities. His last job was at Doman Industries where he was VP of Finance and Administration. What he thought might be a 3-year job turned into 30 years.

Jack wanted to make a difference for families. His volunteer and charitable giving focused on local, national, and international organizations supporting this goal. He took great satisfaction in creating industry to support jobs, families, and communities.

Jack used to do salmon guiding at Rivers Inlet. He enjoyed sailing and boating, trials motorbike riding, prospecting, fishing and many years ago hunting. In later life he enjoyed activities with his family including golf, hiking, camping, and coaching children's soccer.

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