



DABROWSKI, Richard Stanley (1971)
1953 – 2025

Richard Stanley Dabrowski died peacefully at his home in Victoria on July 29th following a short, yet courageous battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loving family; his wife of nearly 48 years Erica (nee Boak), daughters Richelle and Jenny, granddaughters Zoey and Hannah, and son-in-law Chris.

Born in Keighley, Yorkshire, England on May 4th, 1953, Richard is predeceased by his parents Jan and Wanda, who immigrated to Canada in the late 1950's. His early passions in

life were "The Beatles" and cars. He was "Rick" to the dear lifelong friends he made in his teens and early 20s, also car fanatics who bonded over Richard's beloved 1971 Camaro.

Richard married Erica in 1977, and he spent his life devoted to her and his family. He was a special son-in-law, brother-in-law and uncle to the Boak and Boorman families, counting many fond memories with those no longer with us - Phyllis, Diane, Rick, and Shannon - and sharing in many more years with Sandy, Ian, Mike, Dean, Cheryl and Steven. Most recently, he cherished the title of "Pappi" to both Zoey and Hannah.

He found tremendous joy in and excelled at many hobbies over his years, primarily as a self-taught chef and grill-master, but also computers, audio-visual equipment and records, building model cars, coffee, cycling, strength-training, and gardening.

For Richard, happiness was cooking for his family, but also sharing his wisdom and teaching others what he had mastered.

He will be missed by former colleagues from the BC Government, gym buddies from Oak Bay Rec and close neighbours.

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