



HAMILTON, William George (1959)

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Professor of Human Geography,
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Bill was predeceased by his parents George Elgin (1963) and Elsie Hamilton (1999). He will be deeply missed by his wife Judith, stepsons Brian (Danielle) and Keith (Tania), grandsons Kyle and Benjamin, former students, geography colleagues, and many friends in the Okanagan Valley and on

Vancouver Island.

A native son of Victoria, BC, graduated from Victoria High School in 1959. He graduated from Victoria College (UBC), then earned a PhD in Urban Cultural Geography from the University of Oregon, and an M.A. in Urban Planning from the University of Waterloo.

Bill enjoyed a lively community life, as a geographer, and in the performing arts. His education and experience in urban geography, urban design and planning found expression in service on Planning, Urban Design, and Heritage Advisory Committees of the City of Vernon, and in the educational programs and activities of the Vernon and District Heritage Society. Bill was an active member of the Powerhouse Theatre in Vernon. Gifted with a strong baritone/bass voice, he was a member of the Aura Chamber Choir (Vernon) and church choirs. In retirement in the Comox Valley, Bill sang with the Celebration Singers, Just In Time Jazz choir and with a cultural exchange Choir while visiting Cuba in 2010.

Bill will be remembered by friends and family for his capacity for hospitality and good humour.