

REMEMBERING

Donald Stuart McDonald (Stu)

July 4, 1931 - December 10, 2020



Stu passed away peacefully on December 10th at Abbotsford Hospice. The hospice is such a good place and has the most wonderful caregivers. He was predeceased by his Mother, Sister and Brother. He is survived by his small but precious family: loving wife June, Daughter Cheryl (Mike) and Granddaughter Megan. He is also deeply missed by his niece Judy Snow, Stu was like a second Dad to Judy all her life. Stu is missed by June's family in the USA, Brother Dennis (Connie), two dear nephews, two dear nieces. Missing Stu are two dear nieces Heather, Joy and families, Cousins Wayne, Shirley (Frank), Gary (Diane) and families, good friends Dorothy and Milton, Carol and Harvey. Also missing Stu is his best friend since 1953 Bob Weatherall, Bob and Stella were Stu and June's best friends from 1953.

Stu was born and raised in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Met June in 1953 and married in 1956. Stu worked for many years in the petroleum business, mostly with bulk plants. He started in Moose Jaw as assistant manager making sure the fuel trucks were full and made it out to the farmers on time. Harvest time was always very hectic. Federated Co-op asked Stu to work with them in Regina as sales supervisor. He and his family were sent to Carman, Manitoba for a year to work the southern plants. After success, back to Regina for many more years. In 1966 he was transferred to BC Co-op Wholesale. A bad accident occurred in 1977 when Stu was hit by a backup ambulance going through a red light. He was in and out of rehab and went to Supreme Court for 5 days. Once he got some strength back he worked for a while as a peace officer. He then started his own business and did very well before the internet came along. By then he was ready to retire. He and June moved to Avonlea Housing Society in Abbotsford which was the best place with so many dear friends and activities. He most enjoyed playing cards and pool.

Big excitement in 1954, he won the 1954 Meteor (car) in the Moose Jaw exhibition. They had lots of wonderful trips over the years. Stu went skydiving at 75 and again at 80 and so wanted to go again at 85 but was unable to due to illness.

Hopefully we can have a celebration of life once this pandemic is over. Interment will be held in Maple Ridge. Many thanks to all the friends that helped June out after Stu passed.

