



William Robert “Bill” Plotnikoff

1936 - 2012



Bill Plotnikoff, of Grand Forks, BC, passed away at the Kelowna Hospital, unexpectedly, after a brief illness, on April 25, 2012, age 75. Born in Grand Forks September 14, 1936, he was raised in Castlegar, BC, working with his family-owned general contracting firm. His earliest interests included building flying model airplanes. This keen interest led to an education at the University of Washington in Seattle in Aeronautical Engineering (1961). Bill returned to British Columbia and accepted a teaching position at Grand Forks Secondary School. Bill taught math and sciences until he assumed the Head of the Vocational Programs. He focused on teaching construction and cabinet making that brought him back to his roots.

Bill followed his retirement from Secondary teaching with residential and commercial real estate sales. He knew the construction practices in the community and was a staunch advocate for his customers. Bill had a keen interest in boats and built two beautiful houseboats that resided at Christina Lake, BC. The first boat was a pontoon houseboat with the second a larger

single hull boat. Both were well-known on Christina Lake where “Captain Bill” hosted the annual houseboat convention every Labour Day weekend. Bill loved his valley, home, and his family. His family received a lifetime of joy and love and is forever grateful for their husband, father and grandfather.

Bill is survived by his loving wife Marianne of 51 years, his sons: Robert (Anna) of Bonney Lake, WA, Todd (Jennifer) of Sylvan Lake, AB; his grandchildren: Brittany, Brandon, Jenna and Cydnee; his brother Peter (Gail) of Grand Forks, BC, sister Olga (Don) Baron of Vernon and their families. Sadly, he is predeceased by his parents William and Molly, his brother Harry and sister-in-law Elaine.

A private Family Service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Canadian Cancer Society, 202 - 1835 Gordon Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 3H5 or the Canadian Diabetes Association, 1589 Sutherland Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 5Y7.



In Memoriam
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