



REMEMBERING
David Patrick Davidson (Pat)

January 15, 1947 - January 18, 2024



It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of David Patrick Davidson, fondly known as "Pat",

after a brief battle with cancer on January 18th, 2024, just three days after his 77th birthday. He was

surrounded by a caring team at The Abbotsford Palliative Care Unit, his loving family, and Donna, the

love of his life for nearly 60 years. Simultaneously, we find great joy in having had the chance to share in

his life and reflect on the long list of experiences he leaves for us to remember.

An outdoorsman, diligent worker, and a "get it done" kind of guy, Pat reveled in the simple pleasures of

life. Whether crafting in his workshop, capturing photos of local waterfowl (or was it a turkey vulture?),

exploring nature, or enjoying quality time with loved ones (especially winning at cards), he lived a life

marked by meaningful connections and cherished moments.

Pat, affectionately known as Husband, Dad, Grandpa, GG, Uncle, Brother, Whippersnapper and Pal

(among other less obituary-friendly names), lived a life of adventure, deep care, and camaraderie. His

trademark year-round shorts (just add snow boots to winterize) —, passion for canoe building, archery,

family, and food along with his quick wit are just a few aspects that define the man we remember.

Born on January 15th, 1947, in Regina, Saskatchewan, Pat's talents and passions knew no bounds. Proud

but humble, he showcased numerous optimizations and changes to his workshop, where he crafted not

only stunning canoes but also jewelry and furniture. From rings made of precious stones (precious

because they may have been found on a walk by the river), necklaces, ulu's, bowls, cutting boards, to

bookshelves and bed frames—each creation held his touch and was almost always gifted to a family

member, with love. His canoes and paddles stand as a testament to his creativity and love for the

outdoors. Always in pursuit of perfection, he experimented with different paddle designs, each iteration

bringing new function and design details, striving to create the ultimate masterpiece.

Pat's love story with Donna began in high school in North Vancouver, and over the next half-century, it

endured, and flourished through various locations, challenges, and devotion—from Hudson Hope to

Vancouver, Kelowna, and Yarrow; They transitioned from motorcycle road trips to family camping

adventures with the family Dodge Dart, tent trailer in tow. sharing these experiences with their two

beautiful children, Lisa and Chris. Pat's love for his family was unwavering, and it could be seen through

a smile and a wink; quietly working together on a project; handing you a thoughtful gift that he had

made by hand; on a trip to the zoo; or letting you pick up a card after you had mistakenly put it down;

He is survived by his beloved wife Donna, daughter Lisa (Chris), son Chris (Irene), grandchildren Kaleb

(Shae), Vanessa (Adam), Bri (Michael), and McKenzie (Jiwon), as well as great-grandchildren Lucas and

Amayah, and a long and loved list of extended family. His family and friends will forever cherish the

memories of a man who lived life with purpose, passion, and a wacky sense of humor.

The family will be hosting a private celebration. In lieu of flowers, they kindly request that you cherish moments with loved ones, perhaps by taking them out for a burger and an ice cream cone, in honor of the joy Pat found in life's simple pleasures.

