



REMEMBERING
Douglas Corbishley
February 29, 1936 - June 9, 2024



Tribute from Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium Ltd.

The Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from John MacMurchy

Relation: Family friend.

Doug was a pillar of the Collingwood community while the family lived here. He was very supportive of me as a musician and he encouraged me at a crucial time. My deepest condolences to Dianne, Tracy, Shawn, and Michelle.

Tribute from Tracy Berry

Relation: Friend of the family

Dear Tracy and family - although we didn't have the pleasure to meet your dad, we knew of his deep love for his family and of your dear love for him. That's what's most important in this life. Thinking of you all and sending love and hugs to you! Xo

Tribute from Rebecca Wal

Relation: Colingwoodtoday.ca

So very sorry to hear of Doug's passing. He certainly will be missed but there are so many reminders of him and all he did. My deepest condolences to his family.

Tribute from Nancy Browne-Zantinge

Relation: Family friends from the Collingwood Days

Dear Diane, Tracy, Shawn, Michelle and All of Your Family. We send our heartfelt condolences as you move through this difficult time. Cherish all of your wonderful memories you made with Doug/Dad/Grandpa as he made his mark in life. All the Best to you from all of us. Sincerely, Nancy Browne

Tribute from Bruce and Debbie Knight

Relation: Acquaintance in Collingwood

Dear Diane, Tracy, Shawn, Michelle and Family.

Although we haven't seen Doug for many years we well remember his warm smile and kindness to this town's citizens. Please accept our deepest condolences as you say goodbye to such a fine pillar of your family.

Tribute from Kim Lyster

Relation: through the Community Foundation.

I had the pleasure of meeting Doug and Diane through the Community Foundation of the South Okanagan Similkameen. They regularly attended events and understood the value and importance of philanthropy. Doug was always curious about what was happening in the community, offered informed and thoughtful suggestions to deepen the strategies that were being offered. On a personal note, he consistently supported my professional journey and ambitions. It was a pleasure to visit with them whenever that opportunity arose. My condolences to the family - what a nice, nice man.

Tribute from Markus Houben

Relation: Business Partner

Doug had immense business insight which he shared with me when we met in Penticton a few years ago. It meant a lot to me. Thank you for that.

Tribute from Len Berlik

Relation: Work colleague

Doug was my colleague, then my boss at National Starch Europe in the 80's. My fondest memory of Doug back then was when he was still my colleague. I was on my first international assignment in Holland and struggling with a difficult problem for some time.. Doug came along and gave me the good kick in the rear end I needed. His message was senior managers make a decision, and then execute that decision. Solve the problem, and get going! I didn't like it at the time, but he was right. I solved the problem. I never would have attained the level I reached within the company had it not been for the intervention of Doug 40 years ago.

Doug was also a strong advocate of workplace safety during his National Starch days before that had become popular in industry. I think he changed the culture at National which became a very safe place to work.

May he rest in peace.

Len Berlik

Tribute from Jennifer Daignault

Relation: Friend of daughter

Dear Tracy, what an honour to read the tribute to your dad's life. And while you and your entire will surely miss his love and guidace, may his memory be a blessing and a comfort to you all.

Tribute from JEFFREY NADISON

Relation: Doug was my boss at National Starch & Chemical

Doug was the 'big boss' in Europe when I was a young, aspiring food scientist assigned to the Manchester office of National Starch as a US expat in 1984. He was a visionary leader, insightful, demanding, and empathetic. He demonstrated a unique combination of decisiveness and thoughtfulness. He also had a fine sense of humour and was a good listener. Doug was a great

stickler for detail and hated surprises, but at the same time, he was a gifted orator and would easily deliver elaborate, extemporaneous motivational speeches at numerous regular gatherings of the European Food Starch team. He was a mentor and role model for me. I left the company perhaps a year before Doug retired. In the almost 30 years since then, I have worked with and for many c-suite executives and I can state with confidence that none of them could hold a candle to Doug as a leader. May his memory be a blessing.

Tribute from Charles Knott

Relation: Work colleague and mentor.

Doug was my mentor and inspirational leader at National Starch.

I can still picture him the first time we met in the Board room in Trafford Park, Manchester. He sat at the end of the table behind a large stack of files and paper, glasses on the end of his nose, and said to me "Are you a doer?". Doug was superb with words, but actions were more important.

Doug was always available, a good listener, but at the same time, he had high expectations for himself and his colleagues. I just smile when I think about him, because he wanted you to see the big picture, but god forbid if you didn't know the details.

Yes, he drove for performance, but he was genuinely caring about his people, and their families. He and Diane were extremely helpful to me and my family, not only when I worked for him, but also in future years as we moved around the world in National Starch, and after his retirement.

Thanks Doug, and rest in peace.

Tribute from Juleen & Martin

Relation: Friends

Diane & Family, Both Doug and Diane have been very special friends over the years. Their kindness and generosity are well known to all. Thinking of you, Diane and your family as you grieve the loss of a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Hugs, Juleen & Martin

