

REMEMBERING
George Fraser

August 28, 1935 - February 28, 2024



George Garnett Fraser was a long-time resident of Osoyoos. He passed away after a long and courageous battle with myelofibrosis.

He was predeceased by his parents Douglas Plaskett Fraser and Dorothy (Johnson) Fraser, both of whom were very active in community affairs. He was also predeceased by his wife of over 58 years, Ellen (Stevens) whom he married in Oliver in 1959. He is survived by son Glen, daughters Lee (Mark), Robynne (Jon), and Tanya, and grandsons Matthew and Duncan. He was the grandson of pioneers, George Johnston and Annie Josephine (nee Plaskett) Fraser who came to live in Osoyoos in 1917.

George was an extremely kind man and always had time to listen to others. He cared deeply about his family and had a strong sense of duty. He loved reminiscing about what life in Osoyoos was like and hearing other people's stories. He was naturally curious and was always willing to challenge himself and to learn new things.

George spent his working life alternating from teaching and orcharding and often said he had a happy work life because he was able to switch back and forth and never tired of either occupation. George started his teaching career as a principal and teacher in Midway (1959-63), teacher in Osoyoos (1963-66), teacher and vice-principal in Oliver (1970-77), and teacher in Osoyoos (1987-1995). George was a passionate teacher and taught in the areas of Mathematics and Science and enjoyed coaching basketball. George often joked about having retired from teaching three times. George took over the family orchard in 1965 and retired from

the orchard in the early 2000s. During these years he served on the BC Tree Fruits Board of Directors and Executive, including as President for a year.

George loved outdoor sports such as downhill skiing, golfing, sailing, and kayaking. George had skied since he was a young boy and enjoyed skiing first at Mt Kobau and later at Mt. Baldy where he thought the T-bar was a luxury. George also was an avid ham radio operator for a time (VE7DOP) and was always up for a game of Bridge.

At his request, there will be no service, but donations in his name would be gratefully received by the charity of your choice.

Condolences and tributes may be directed to the family by visiting www.nunes-pottinger.com

