

PENNEY, Geoffrey Frederick (Geoff) [UNTD(E) CABOT '57 U-370] (1939 - 2013) Age: 74



Suddenly and peacefully, while surrounded by his family, Geoff passed away on Friday September 27, 2013 at the age of 74. Beloved husband and soulmate of his wife Sandy (Tunis) for 42 years. Loving father and mentor of Matt and Greg and proud grandfather of Devin, Haley, and Avah. Will be very deeply missed by his sister Linda Carter and her husband Michael. Also left to miss him are his sisters-and brothers-in-law Debi and Glen, Bob and Valerie, and Mother-in-law Mabel Tunis. Special Uncle to Christine, Joanne, Scott, Brett, Geneva, Nicole and Frank. Predeceased by his Mother, Millicent King, and Father, Alfred Raymond and Father-in-law, Bill Tunis. Geoff's neighbourhood friends and everyone who ever knew him, will truly miss his exceptional skills, his open and caring heart and his great sense of community. He was respected by many and loved by all. A special thank you to the neighbours for all your help. After coming to Burlington from Newfoundland at 19 years old, Geoff worked at the Burlington Hydro until his retirement in 1994. He was a member of the Burlington Gun Club, Burlington Camera Club, Canadian Vintage Motor Cycle Group (CVMG) and Retreads Motor Cycle Club. Geoff's family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to the Emergency Department and ICU at Joseph Brant Hospital where he was provided with immediate attention and overwhelming compassion and medical expertise. A special thank you to Dr. Prodger, Dr. Nisker, Dr. Ganeson, Veronica and all the nursing staff.

A private family funeral will be held and there will be a Celebration of Geoff's life at a later date. Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Burlington Humane Society would be appreciated by the family. (Arrangements entrusted to SMITH'S FUNERAL HOME, BURLINGTON 905-632-3333).

Chuck Svoboda recalled an elaborate skylark on CAPE SCOTT, involving 'substituting' the CMDRE's pennant; replacing it with a fake one, as embarked Untidy's were due to leave. Geoff Penney was a co-conspirator in that successful ruse. The fact that he was an engineer in Burlington, squares with his being an "Engineering" Cadet. That quaint letter and distinctive cloth custom, ceased in 1959. Mentioning that he arrived in Burlington at age 19 is erroneous. He was still in St John's at Memorial and was a 3rd year Cadet in 1961 at age 22.