Krishan Gopal Bassi

October 7, 1931 – March 13, 2018

IT IS WITH DEEP SADNESS that we announce the passing of Krishan Bassi after a brief illness.

Born in Kericho, Kenya, he was educated in England at the University of London and Imperial College before emigrating to Canada



in 1957. Krishan was a visionary civil engineer, leading bridge design in Ontario for 37 years. He left Toronto, after his beloved wife Elizabeth passed away, for retirement in Yellowknife in 2007. Recognized nationally and internationally for his progressive and brilliant structural designs, he was always humble and eager to keep learning.

A loving husband, father and grandfather, he is deeply loved and dreadfully missed by his family in Yellowknife and across the world. He instilled in us his profound sense of fairness, tolerance, kindness, respect, humility, hard work and resilience.

He was an avid golfer, fisherman, cross country skier, gardener and political observer who loved dogs, Irish whiskey, a good joke, travelling, and being with his family.

Heartfelt thanks to Platoon C of the Yellowknife Fire Department and to the doctors and nursing staff of the Stanton Emergency department for their compassionate and expert care.

Krishan is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Sheila Bassi-Kellett and David Kellett of Yellowknife; son Kristopher of Dubai, U.A.E.; grandson Joel Brown and partner Meredith Gatton of Toronto; and step-granddaughter Amelia Blondin, husband Dustin Linke and baby Jackson Elliot of Calgary; as well, step-grandson Shane Blondin, also in Calgary. Sister Nirmala of London, England and many nieces and nephews around the world also mourn his passing. Krishan was predeceased by his adored wife Elizabeth and cherished grandson Elliot Brown.

Funeral services will be held at St. Patrick's Church on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018 at 11:00AM with a GATHERING TO FOLLOW AT THE ELKS HALL at NOON. He will be interred in Toronto beside Elizabeth and Elliot at a date to be determined.