

Born in Alexandria, Egypt in 1928 Dick passed away peacefully at the age of 83.

He lived an incredible life. Dick was a pilot and a flying instructor. Early in life, he was a Lt. in the Fleet Air Arm, Royal Navy. He flew off aircraft carriers, was accomplished at deck landings and fought in Korea. In his youth he knew the wine bars of the Mediterranean and the manicured lawns of Buckingham Palace. Dick's adventures took him from survival in the jungle to expeditions in the Arctic as a Canadian bush pilot. In Canada he flew for Victoria Flying Club, Okanagan Helicopters, Autair Helicopters Ltd., Midwest Aviation, Winnipeg Flying Club, Klondike Helicopters and Tintina Air Services

Later in life Dick was an Inspector with Transport Canada, followed by Chairman, the Canadian Federal Pilots' Association.

Dick is survived by his wife of sixty years, Pauline, and his children: Sara, husband Michael Deacon; Garnon Peters and his wife Isabelle; Louise Peters and her partner John Herbert; Karina and her husband Randal Guy. He also leaves behind his grandchildren: Matthew and Joshua Deacon; Brendan and Connor Guy; Cameron and Dylan Jane Peters. With heartfelt "thanks" to Dr. Paul Keith and the Staff in the ECU at Saanich Peninsula Hospital, who cared for Dick with such sympathy, patience and understanding. We are all the wind beneath his wings as he flies once more.