



MICHAEL DENNIS ARMSTRONG

October 10, 1948 - May 26, 2012

We regret to announce the passing of Mike at home in Victoria, BC as a result of cancer on May 26, 2012. He leaves behind his loving wife and best friend of 27 years, Carol Ann Elliott; older brothers Garry & Ken of Ottawa; and his much younger sister Paddi Thewes of Castle Rock, Colorado. He was predeceased by his parents, Frank & Margaret Armstrong; and his older brother Bill, all of Ottawa. Mike was born and raised in Ottawa, attending Rideau High School and Carleton University. He moved to the Northwest Territories in 1973 and enjoyed the northern lifestyle for 20+ years. It was in Yellowknife that he met and married Carol Ann. After leaving the north in 1994 to follow Carol Ann's career with the Royal Bank, Mike and Carol Ann lived in Red Deer & High River in Alberta, and Vancouver & Victoria in BC. Mike enjoyed his semi-retirement in Victoria as a skipper with Victoria Harbour

Ferries in the summer and doing bus charters in the winter. He enjoyed many motorcycle adventures with old friends from Alberta, golfing and was just getting the hang of tennis. One of his great joys was regular adventures with his Goldens over the years, Dawson, Connor MacLeod and Bob the Dog.

There will be no service at Mike's request, but there will be a gathering and celebration on the day that Mike's ashes are scattered off Macaulay Point Park, in Esquimalt, BC. You are invited to join the family on that day. In lieu of flowers donations in Mike's memory may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or Victoria Hospice. A special thank you to Ruth, his Home & Community Care nurse and the wonderfully supportive Palliative Response Team which enabled Mike to stay at home.