

REMEMBERING Thomas James Leishman

October 4, 1937 - February 17, 2013



Tom was born and raised in Sudbury, Ontario. He is survived by his wife Myrna, daughter Carole Ann (Mark), son Tye (Jeanette), grandson James, sister Ann Buckland of Campbell River, brother Chuck (Stephanie) of Elko, BC, and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents Maude and Clarence Leishman, and son Clark in 1961.

Tom's early working career was with Bell Telephone Company for 11 years before Myrna and Tom headed west to settle in Powell River in 1968. He spent his remaining 30 years of working life with BC Tel.

Tom took up his Private Pilot's licence in the early 70s, flying hither and yon for the next 20 years, and enjoyed the company of the Westview Flying Club members. He loved to talk about the J-3 flights across the country, and the Antique Air Race and periodic trips to the Oshkosh Air Show. Many fly-outs and fly-ins, parties and dances were part of life in those years.

Fortunately, Tom and Myrna were able to have a "cabin up-the-lake" where they spent many summers sunning and swimming. Tom loved to "kick back" with a beer in hand. Over the years, he never missed hockey practices, hockey games, figure skating events (working the spotlights for ice shows), theatre productions, or anything involving his family.

Tom will be greatly missed and always remembered for his quick, dry sense of humour which he maintained to the end.

There will be no service.

