David Bertram Bailey

MAY 16, 2017

BAILEY, David Bertram

January 1, 1933 – May 16, 2017

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of our beloved father/Boppa, Dave Bailey. Dad passed away peacefully in his sleep in the hospital in Calgary, Alberta on Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

David was the son of James (Herb) Albert Bailey and Gladys Maud Jackson in Cornwall, ON. After graduating from Queens University with his Engineering degree, Dad moved to Montreal for work, where he met and married our mother, Elizabeth (Betty) Mary Kiss. They were married for ten years before separating. Dad's world revolved around his daughters, and when Lydia moved to Alberta in 1989, he followed her to be near her and his grandchildren. For many years, he spent winter months in California with Julia. He had the best of both worlds.

One of Dad's hobbies was to pick up trash in Airdrie, earning him the praise of both the City of Airdrie, and its populace. Another hobby Dad had was putting together the Bailey family tree. He spent 10 years criss-crossing the continent, meeting over 500 descendants of the Bailey ancestor who came from Ireland in 1834. He put all this information into a book, which will be treasured for generations to come. For those who knew him, each day he was "Older and Wiser".

He will be sadly missed by daughters, Lydia Helen Hill (Matthew) and Julia Nancy Bailey; granddaughters, Amanda Elizabeth Jacqueline Hill (Roddy) and Heidi Brigid Hill (Matt); grandson, Terry David Hill; and great grandson, Kiran Matthew Roop Jaglal. Dad was predeceased by his siblings, Joan Grace Cox, Ruth Mary Fourney, and Alan Westlake Bailey.

He will be missed. Dad did not want a funeral, and hoped that if anyone wanted to donate in his name, that they do so to his charity of choice, the War Amps. Lydia and Julia also ask that a glass be raised in his name on Father's Day.

Rest in peace, Dad.

Messages of Condolence

Sincere condolences from all your family in the U.K.
Clearly he was a good man, and one I wish I could have met.
R.I.P.

— Nick Jackson

I had the pleasure of meeting your dad a few times. He was a wonderful and very knowledgeable man.
Deepest condolences to all. Keep courage.

— Ena Balkaran

Dave was a fun guy. I enjoyed our talks when he was out here. We were sad when he could no longer make it out. My condolences to the entire family. He was a treasure. I can still hear him laughing.

— Becki Szuszka

With condolences and big hugs to your family Dear Lydia

— Laura Cascanette

Sadly missed but with joy in my heart for the good memories.

— Karl Ksonzek

Yes, he will truly be missed. We will raise a glass on Father's Day for him as well as Dad, now they will see each other again.

— Donna & Phil Bailey

Dave will be missed for sure. What a wonderful, interesting and intelligent man. I have many fond memories that involve your dad. He stopped by many years ago ,a few times, just to say hi. That was such a nice and wonderful surprise! Just the type of thing that Dave would do. Xyvsr5

— Karen jenkins

Dave always greeted me with a smile. We had many whopper conversations in the short time we knew eachother. He will be missed. I will always remember him.
May you rest in Peace Dave Bailey!

— Sherry Zammit

Over the years Dave fed me sage advice,Great suggestions and the treasure of friendship. None of these things to be forgotten. They are my memories .
Red wine on Fathers Day , to Dave , and all the family.

— Patty Herrick

David, would drop by the shop with chocolates many of times. Mr Bailey I would call him, he would always say to me, Zuzanna its David..... and we would chuckle, a wonderful man!

Rest in Peace Mr. Bailey
we all will be older and wiser someday.

— Paul and Zuzanna Grant

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