



Mr. David H. Harris

December 18, 1941 - September 6, 2012

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of David Harris. He survived for six and a half years after being diagnosed with carcinoid syndrome.

David was born in the High River hospital and raised in the beautiful countryside West of Turner Valley. After completing high school, David moved to Calgary to find work. In 1964 David enrolled in the University of Calgary and graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He then continued his studies to earn his Certified General Accountants designation. David worked for many years for Gulf Canada Resources, and on early retirement joined a group of friends who were starting a junior oil and gas company.

David was an avid curler and late in life fell in love with the game of golf, both of which he pursued with enthusiasm at the Glencoe Club. When his children were young, he spent many happy hours coaching hockey, ringette and soccer for Elbow Park community teams.

Building our lakeside cabin at the Shuswap was a special project of Dave's and he spent many happy summers there with his family and friends. He was always puttering on various construction projects and occasionally ventured onto the lake in his yellow canoe, fishing rod in hand,

David was predeceased by his father, Howard Lindsay Harris, and his mother, Jane Mary (Denning) Harris. He leaves to mourn him his beloved wife of 49 years, Emma, his daughter Julie Laureen Harris (Jerald Fast), his son Neil David Harris (Margot) and his much loved granddaughters Elizabeth Nell Fast and Rachel Marie Fast. He is also survived by his sister Mary Schlichting, brothers Lorne and Gordon, and his sister Carol Hodges as well as many dear aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Dr. Haggblad, Dr. J. Pasioka, Dr. E. Dixon, Dr. G. Schnell and nurse Andrea Thomber for their wonderful help on David's journey through his illness. David's last days were spent at Rosedale Hospice where he received loving care, keeping him comfortable to the end. He passed away surrounded by Emma, Julie and Neil.

If friends so desire, in lieu of flowers, we request donations be made in David's name to Rosedale Hospice, 920 – 7A Street N.W. Calgary, AB T2M 3J3. A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday, September 12th at 2:00 p.m. at the Grace Presbyterian Church in Calgary (1009 – 15th Ave. SW). To send condolences and view David's Tribute Page please visit www.lylereeves.com. Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River, Craig Snodgrass (403.652.4242).

Previous Events

Service

SEP **12.** 2:00 PM (MT)

Grace Presbyterian
1009 15th Avenue SW
Calgary, AB (CA)

Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mr. David H. Harris*



Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ *Please accept my most sincere condolences. I had the pleasure of getting to know Dave while working for Gulf and KomiArctic Oil in Russia. Dave always was positive and always had a welcome smile whenever I saw him. Even when working in Russia was sometimes completely crazy Dave would always find something to kid about to keep things light. He was a great guy and I always considered him to be a friend even though we didn't stay in touch. I'm sad I didn't learn about his illness sooner because I would of liked to see him. God Bless him and I know one day we will meet again.*



Neil Rubeniuk and Family

Neil Rubeniuk - November 03, 2012 at 10:53 PM

GC

“ Gerry & Glenda Cutforth lit a candle in memory of Mr. David H. Harris



Gerry & Glenda Cutforth - September 24, 2012 at 08:41 AM



“ The service for David Harris is now available for viewing at <http://webcasts.lifetributes.com/333381>

Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 15, 2012 at 09:26 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 13, 2012 at 12:20 PM



“ 2 files added to the album David Harris



Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 12, 2012 at 03:05 PM

MS

“ *Very Sad to hear about Dave. Dave and I worked together for many uears at both Gulf Canada and PetroGlobe Inc. His conversation and laughter will be sorely missed but the memories of Dave will live on forever.*

Martin Smith and Joan

Martin and Joan Smith - September 12, 2012 at 01:53 PM

CH

“ *I have many fond memories of growing up with Dave, and I will miss him so much. How blessed he was to have such a loving family. I'll miss you and memories of you will being me peace.*

Carol Hodges - September 12, 2012 at 12:33 PM

RS

“ *So sorry to hear about David. I knew him many years ago as we both attended Turner Valley High School. He was such a nice person , kind and gentle. Very memorable. I am sure words cannot express how you must be feeling at this time. His memory will live on. Sincere sympathy!*

Ruth Gerlitz (nee Stuart)

Ruth Gerlitz (nee Stuart) - September 12, 2012 at 11:36 AM

BC

“ *Emma and Family: I was very sorry to read of David's passing. Wendy and I wish you our deepest condolences.*

Bill and Wendy Cawston

Bill Cawston - September 12, 2012 at 08:43 AM

LD

“ Dear Emma, Neil and Julie,

Art and I felt very sad as we read about Dave's passing. Our thoughts are with you and your families and we cherish the memories of Dave at the Shuswap and your families kindness to Cory in his friendship with Neil.

Lynn and Art Dyck

Lynn Dyck - September 11, 2012 at 08:24 PM

MW

“ To Emma and your family:

It is with great sadness that I read about the passing of Dave.

From my very early days at Gulf Canada, I always recognized Dave as a man of wisdom and intelligence, a man of dedication, a man of humour, and a man who cared for his fellow men and women.

May he rest in eternal peace. I will never forget him.

Mike Walsh

Mike Walsh - September 11, 2012 at 07:53 PM

CM

“ Carole Donnelly Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mr. David H. Harris



Carole Donnelly Malmberg - September 11, 2012 at 10:04 AM

GH

“ Dear Auntie Emma, Julie, Neil and Family,

I'm so sorry to not be able to be with you this week at Uncle Dave's funeral. He meant so much to me. He was such a kind and gentle person, always met me with a smile and hello that made me feel that I was special to him. I wrote on my Facebook wall after hearing of his passing that of the many things I learned from him, the greatest of all was how to love my nephews and nieces as though they were my own children. It is so very true.

When I stop visiting the adults at a family get-together to play catch with the kids or talk to them about school or their sports, or to look at their new doll house - I think of Uncle Dave. I remember all the times he stopped and took time to play or visit with us - and how it made me feel when he did.

He was a very blessed man to have been loved by so many - and to be loved so much by the three of you.

We will miss him terribly and take solice only in knowing that right now he is hitting a 300 yard drive down the middle of #8 on the Forest Course, throwing a football across the street from the house in Turner Valley, and flying down the ice ripping a slapshot in the top corner on Boxing Day - then relaxing on the deck and staring dreamily at a Shuswap Lake sunset, all on the same heavenly afternoon.

- Gerald, Braeden, Coleton and Jake Harris

Gerald Harris - September 11, 2012 at 09:38 AM

LH

“ We're so glad we had you to share this journey through our lives with. You are a cherished brother, uncle and very very very wonderful friend to us and our kids.

We love Ya
Lorne, Ann, Gerald , Kenny, Keith, Loree
and Families



Lorne and Ann Harris - September 11, 2012 at 09:35 AM

CH

“ Carol Hodges lit a candle in memory of Mr. David H. Harris



Carol Hodges - September 11, 2012 at 06:26 AM

JB

“ Emma, Neil, and Family.

As I sit here tonight, I am saddened and in shock of Dave's passing. He was truly a great man who was a pleasure to be around, and to get to know as a friend, neighbor, and fellow Glencoe member. He will be missed. God's Peace be with you now, and always.

- Jayme W. Buchanan


Jayme Buchanan - September 10, 2012 at 10:45 PM

KH

“ We love you Uncle David. We are so grateful for the time we had with you!

Love always,

Keith, Terri and family.

 The Good Ol' Boys! Lorne Harris, Al Benson, Norm Cross and David Harris

Keith and Terri Harris - September 10, 2012 at 10:41 PM

CS

“ Craig & Lindsay Snodgrass lit a candle in memory of Mr. David H. Harris



Craig & Lindsay Snodgrass - September 10, 2012 at 07:33 PM

MK

“ Hello Emma,

Mern and I were so very sorry to hear about David Howard Harris' passing. I remember so well how beautifully matched you were--- even back in the early '60s! Dave's smile hasn't changed a bit! Our deepest condolences to you and your family on the loss of a very good man who has obviously left wonderful memories behind.
Sincerely,

Mern & Madelene Krokum

Madelene Krokum - September 10, 2012 at 06:33 PM

BH

“ *Bill And Anita Holmes lit a candle in memory of Mr. David H. Harris*



Bill and Anita Holmes - September 08, 2012 at 10:40 PM

DM

“ *Dave was the most wonderful and loving cousin a person could ask for. If it wasn't for him and Emma I would not be the person I am today, thanks for all the help and guidance you gave me when I needed it the most. Dave will be dearly missed by all who had a chance to know him, but now he is free of all his pain. Love Debb*

Debb McLaren - September 07, 2012 at 08:13 PM

DS

*We will miss Dave Harris's thoughtful advice and kindnesses gained over a forty year friendship & working relationship.
Our sympathy to Emma and family!
Sincerely
Don & Linda Snow*

Don & Linda Snow - September 10, 2012 at 10:30 AM



I am so sorry to hear about cousin Dave, I didn't have the opportunity to get to know him because I lived on the coast, but what I do know is that he was a very gentle person and was well loved by everyone my heartfelt sympathy goes out to Emma and family may you RIP Dave Harris your cousin Dorothy (Harris) Emmerson Courtenay, B.C.

Dorothy Emmerson - September 10, 2012 at 01:42 PM