



Robert Strickland

December 4, 1949 - January 20, 2022

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1949-2022

Bob was born in a little community on the east coast of Newfoundland. He splashed in the sparkling waters of the little brook at Birchy Cove and felt the sun warm his upturned face while the ocean breeze ruffled his hair. He played hockey on the frozen ponds and was a formidable opponent on the ice.

At night he felt the warm glow of a wood stove and the wonder of a night sky filled with a million stars. He loved, and was loved, by his small family and he never wanted for those things that truly mattered.

When he was very young he set out in a wide world and found a vibrant city. Perhaps he always dreamed of the ways he would change his world and how he could improve the lives of countless individuals that he met every day.

In those early days in Ontario he enjoyed time spent with his new friends and worked hard to create a 200 acre farm in Havlock. He moved on to many different careers but he always worked hard, had an abundantly generous spirit, and was deeply committed to his faith and personal beliefs.

As time went on he lived and loved and forged new bonds with wonderful

people. He created new families and made many lifelong friends. He served his church and community and had a quiet and unassuming faith that was strong and true.

But it was those humble origins to which he always returned, it's where he leaned to appreciate the little things. He came home faithfully every year all throughout the seasons of his life to recharge and refocus, wrapped in the love of that small family that missed him and loved him., dearly.

I will carry him home for this one final time and he will become one with the sea and the sky in the little cove that he called home.

We will always remember him but especially when looking to the horizon at the place that he loved best. Continue to fly high, Uncle Bob. Until we meet again you will be loved, remembered, treasured, and missed.

Deeply mourned by his sisters Jane and Elizabeth and his brothers Herb, Leslie, and Clarence. Numerous nieces and nephews, and countless friends.

Tribute Wall

TP

“ We became instant friends with Bob in the late 1970s when the three of us were part of the St. Luke's Anglican congregation. Bob's infectious smile, his generosity and his great sense of humour captured the love and affection of so many people. You'll be missed, Bob, for a very long time to come. Enjoy your next journey! Tom & Linda PhilpRiver Hebert, NS

Thomas Lewis Philp - January 27, 2022 at 06:47 PM

LM

“ My condolences to Bob's family. He was a generous friend. So glad he made it home. Lynda

Lynda Mathison - January 24, 2022 at 04:11 PM

CH

“ My deepest condolences to Bob's family. He was such a cheerful, caring and helpful man. He always went above and beyond when someone needed anything done at City Hall. He was so proud of his Newfoundland roots and loved going home any chance he could get. His friendship and caring will always be missed. RIP Bob!! Chris Heersink

Christine Heersink - January 24, 2022 at 01:58 PM

DF

“ Bob had a light that will never go out, he was probably the most genuine and pleasant person it has been my pleasure to know. We used to chat alot and swap stories about our favorite places and things on the east coast. I love my relations there and those fav places I have, but you could tell The Rock was in Bob's mind, body and spirit. You will be missed by many my friend... Yet these are the dayswhen the holy moments are found in the fogand the cloudless blue skyin the chitchat at the gas stationand the four-fingered waves on country roadswhere everyone thinks they know youin the six eagles soaring over the causewayin a slipstream between human and divineand your white knuckles ease on the wheeland you yield to the journeyas your spirit merges with the destination as a bridge from here to there.

Dean Findlay - January 24, 2022 at 10:57 AM

CO

“ I have known Bob from my many years at City Hall. Bob always greeted us first thing in the morning with a smile and "Hello beautiful, or love or sweetie", he was a genuine kind and caring man, and also the only man who could get away with calling us ladies all those lovely names, lol. Whatever you needed done, Bob was on it and it was done right. He loved to speak of his family down east, always enjoyed sharing stories of his visits back home, and always shared such beautiful pictures of the ice bergs and his beautiful Newfoundland. Even after he started to work at transit he would come back to visit at City Hall, everyone loved to see Bob. What a nice photo and obituary. You will never be forgotten Bob, we all loved You. Sincerely, Carolyn Oliver

Carolyn Oliver - January 24, 2022 at 10:31 AM

SS

“ Bob was so real and genuine. He brought warmth and character to City Hall and we all loved him dearly. When he left City Hall, I missed him dearly. Thank you Bob for sharing your stories and your smiles.

Sue Sauve - January 24, 2022 at 08:52 AM

EA

“ Bob was always smiling, always helpful and always kind. His way always a welcoming face at City Hall. May he rest in peace.

Erica Akell - January 24, 2022 at 08:50 AM

CG

“ I can hear "good morning Sweetheart" as I did every morning at City Hall. It was always warm and well meaning. Rest in Peace Bob.

Christie Gilbertson - January 24, 2022 at 08:39 AM

MM

“ Bob was first person to meet me everyday. He always had a smile and a story. He never got sick, and was always at work. Bob never said no to anyone and was happy to help everyone no matter what was asked of him. He enjoyed life to the fullest and never thought of retiring. Bob will be missed deeply by his family at City Hall and will never be forgotten. Bob can rest now and go home to his favorite place. Mac MacGillivray

Mac MacGillivray - January 24, 2022 at 08:35 AM

KZ

“ My Condolences to Bob's family! He will be missed, for sure! He brought a delight to us in the Building Services Div, City of Peterborough. And, after he retired, he still would venture into our office and we would have a wonderful chat! Again, very sorry Jane, Elizabeth, Herb, Leslie, Clarence and the rest of the family. Last thought, somewhere along the way you meet some amazing people and Bob was one of those people!

Kim Zevenhoven - January 24, 2022 at 08:24 AM

CA

“ For almost 15 years Bob greeted me at City Hall every day with a smile and shared a chuckle. He had great stories of his family and back home on the rock\u2026. And his dreams of someday returning there to retire. I am going to miss him very much until we meet again.

Craig Adams - January 24, 2022 at 08:15 AM

VW

“ Vicki Welsh worked for same company as Bob. He was such a pleasant man to work with. Always helpful . Could always rely on Bob for direction , he definitely knew city hall inside and out. My deepest sympathy to Bob's family. May he rest in peace

Vicki Welsh - January 23, 2022 at 02:39 PM

DW

“ Bob will be remembered as a kind and generous man. Always willing to help. All of us at City Hall relied on Bob to go above and beyond expectations to make our lives easier. Over the years, Bob became a good friend. He was very proud of his roots and always looked forward to his trips down east. I will miss his smile and the twinkle in his eye.

Donna Wagner - January 23, 2022 at 10:30 AM

WB

“ Sincere condolences to all the family. A beautiful written obituary.
Wallace Brown

WALLACE BROWN - January 22, 2022 at 08:44 PM

KA

“ Our thoughts are with his family. Wonderful memories live on forever. Bob was a great guy, always spoke fondly of home in Newfoundland, always kind and had a cheeky sense of humor. He will be missed by the entire Dexterra team who had the privilege to know and work with him.

Kathy - January 21, 2022 at 03:40 PM