



REMEMBERING

Dr. William Edward John Bennett

February 12, 1921 - April 6, 2012



It is with sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of our dearly loved husband, father, and grandfather. Dr. Bennett was born in London, England and graduated from King's College Hospital in 1943. Following wartime service, he qualified as a surgeon and emigrated to Canada in 1955. Starting in Twillingate, Newfoundland, with his young wife in tow, he moved steadily westward via Swift Current and Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, before settling on the edge of the salt water in Powell River in 1972. He practiced as a general surgeon until his retirement in 1989.

Dr. Bennett was an active man, loving skiing, auto-racing, hiking and sailing, especially on his beloved sailboat Niamh. He will be remembered for his gentlemanly manner, great sense of humour, and hearty laugh.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Dr. Yvette Franklin, his daughters Dr. Mary Bennett (David Cunningham), Susan Bennett (Chris Tucker), and grandchildren Matthew, Timothy, Benjamin and Sara Cunningham and Emma and Megan Tucker. He was predeceased by his son Dr. Alan Bennett in 1988.

The family would like to thank Dr. David May for his care over the years, and John DeVries for his physical therapy and ongoing companionship. We would also like to thank the staff at Olive Devaud Residence for their care over the past two years.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, May 19 at 1 pm at St. David and St. Paul Anglican Church. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Powell River Hospital Foundation.

