

Gardner, J. Stuart

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GARDNER J. Stuart B.A., Cert Ed., M.A., Dip Theology Stu went to be with his Lord suddenly on February 10, 2009. He will be deeply missed by his beloved wife Donna of 41 years, son Adam (Pamela), daughter Erin, grandchildren Hannah and Emmett, brothers Phil (Claudette) and Dave (Simone), extended family members, many friends and colleagues. He was a charismatic, joyful and loving husband, father and friend. Born in Vancouver on May 3, 1942, Stu graduated from Lord Byng High School before progressing to UBC and Regent College. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and the Thunderbird Basketball Team. After graduation, Stu spent two years with CUSO teaching in Sarawak, Borneo where he and Donna married in 1967. His professional career focused on education, counselling and mentoring future teachers. He served as a District Counsellor (Courtenay), Administrator (Vancouver), and Faculty (Trinity Western and SFU). Stu loved to read, write, and collect books, travel, music, sing and dance. Stu was always very committed to his church family and related ministries. He appreciated the wonderful support from his weekly Men's and Writers groups. In lieu of flowers, you may donate to the Foundation established in Stu's honour at VanCity or to a charity of your choice. A memorial service and reception to celebrate Stu's life will take place at the Tenth Avenue Alliance Church, Vancouver, 1:30pm on Wednesday, February 18, 2009. On-line tributes may be made at www.mem.com
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