



24 March 2009

Mr. Don Roy passed away



Mr. Donald Roy
December 23, 1947 - March 23, 2009
Vice-President of the Old Catholic Church of BC

On Monday March 23, 2009, Mr. Don Roy entered into eternal rest at Richmond Hospital. He received Last Rites the previous day by Bishop Gérard LaPlante. He is survived by his wife Marie, his son Andrew, his mother Desneiges, sisters Claudette and Suzanne (Raymond) many nephews, and other family members and friends.

He was a friend of Bishop Gérard LaPlante and a member of the Old Catholic Church of BC for over 30 years. He served on the board of the Church as Vice-President. His religious life was nurtured and sustained by the Old Catholic Church of BC. His father, who passed away on November 27, 1982, was buried by this Church as were his brothers -in-law Gordon Albert Hurlburt in 1984 and Donald McKenzie in 1994. Don was married in this Church and his son Andrew was baptized and confirmed at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.



Left photo: Mr. Don Roy (third person from the left) with fellow board members left to right: Mr. Jim Gee, Mr. Brian Harker, Mr. Don Roy, Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Mr. Fred Foster, Fr. Jürgen Schmode in April 2008.



Mr. Don Roy (second from right) in 2003 with fellow board members

Mr. Don Roy at the baptism of his son Andrew in 1986 at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church

During his High School years, Don was a renowned boxer, winning the Golden Gloves and the National Amateur Championship in 1965. He was also actively involved at the Kiview Boys Club, where many of his fondest childhood memories occurred. After serving our country in the RCAF, Don joined the Workers' Compensation Board and loyally served the injured workers of B.C. for 33 years.

A funeral service will take place on Friday, March 27, 2009, at Richmond Funeral Home, 8420 Cambie Road, Richmond, BC; Bishop Gérard LaPlante. On Sunday, March 29, 2009, Holy Mass will be offered for the repose of his soul at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church, 715 East 51st Avenue, Vancouver, BC at 11 am.

He will be remembered as a respectful, courteous and loyal person, who gave willingly to support his Church and his family.



Mr. Don Roy outside the church after the baptism of his son Andrew in 1986