John St. Clair ROSS



December 24, 1931 - January 27, 2023

It is with much sadness and great love that we share the news of John St. Clair Ross' peaceful passing with his family present at Lions Gate Hospital, after a courageous battle with a debilitating disease. John will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 63 years Marilyn (Weldon); children Anthony (Susan), David (predeceased), James (Julie Verreault); grandchildren Natalie, Alice, Colin, Jeanne; brother Gerald (Linda); and many nieces and nephews.

Raised in Montreal by parents Dorothy St. Clair (Owatanna MN) and Howard Ross of the Montreal P.S. Ross accounting firm, John was influenced by a young and prospering Canada. After attending Montreal High School, Sedberg, Lower Canada College, and Le Rosey (Switzerland), he entered his career path in Mechanical Engineering at McGill University, followed by obtaining an MBA from Western University. It was there he met his life-partner Marilyn, and embarked on a career of nation building.

John began his career with Ingersoll Rand in sales. He then joined MacMillan Bloedel, which brought him to Vancouver. He finished his

administrative career in the lumber and paper product manufacturing division as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. John cherished his friendships formed through business, travel, skiing and community involvement. He visited 52 countries. John began skiing at the age of 3 and enjoyed his final run at age 82. He was a Whistler Mountain ski pass holder for 42 years. His social activities also included camping, canoeing, squash, tennis and golf. He was an active volunteer and a generous philanthropist who supported cultural arts, especially Music in the Morning. A Celebration of Life is to be held at West Vancouver United Church at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

To send flowers to the family of John St. Clair Ross, please visit <u>Tribute Store</u>. Published on February 4, 2023