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October 14, 1922 - April 10, 2018

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Celebration of Life Service

[\(obituary/4760226\) \(service info\)](#) Drummond C.W.O R.C.N. Retired

Saturday, Apr 28,
2018
1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Age 95, of Dartmouth passed away at home with family by his side on Tuesday April 10, 2018. Born Leith, Edinburgh Scotland , October 14, 1922 to parents Matthew and Margaret Hall. He joined the Royal Navy as a Boy Seaman at age 15 and served during WWII. He saw action as a young lad in the Atlantic, Dunkirk, Norway, Mediterranean and Normandy (for which he received the French Legion D'Honneur in 2016). His war time experiences as a gunner saw him wounded twice with lifetime impairment to his vision and hearing. He reenlisted in the Royal Canadian Navy in 1953, serving on the HMCS Cornwallis, Iroquois, Crescent, Kootenay and Terra Nova, and at Shearwater and Osbourne Head. He retired 1973 as Base Chief Stadacona as did his brother Matthew previously. He was predeceased by dear wife Sheila , brother Matthew, sisters Eva and Mabel of Edmonton. He is survived by daughter Barbara, sons Gordon (Rose), Tony (Mary), and Tim (Amanda), "wee" brother Jim (Kitty) of Edmonton, 7 grandchildren and best Friend Gail Brooks. He was a member of the Somme Branch Legion, Atlantic Chiefs and PO's and Dartmouth Seniors. He was instrumental in bringing soccer to Dartmouth by establishing the Dartmouth Thistles Soccer Club and later coaching with Dartmouth United youth teams. He coached minor soccer all through the 70's and 80's. He was known for his ability to liven up any situation with stories, jokes and enthusiasm for life. He wrote many hilarious yet often poignant naval stories for military publications under the headings of Tales From the Dockyard Clock and The Base Chief Remembers. His mantra was " Never let it be said I was dull ! " and that was so true all through his life. His ashes are to be buried at sea near to those of brother Matt. A special thanks to the Community Palliative Team who helped

our family care for our dad at home.

There will be a Celebration of Life at the Somme Legion on April 28 from 1pm to 4pm with a Legion Service at 1:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Boys and Girls Club in North Dartmouth.

SERVICES

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Royal Canadian Legion

54 King Street

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia B2Y 2R5

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