

McINTYRE, Thomas Gordon McLeod (Gord) [UNTD PREVOST 1951 U-49730] (1932 - 2017) Age: 84
August 27, 1932 Stratford, ON – March 1, 2017 Toronto, ON

After many rewarding retirement years, Gord leaves his ever-lovely and adored pure laine Québécoise wife, Michelle Couture, of 61 years. Left to mourn are three McIntyre daughters, Dr. Lucy Lynn (Dr. Jim Wright), Sally Sue (Louis Dumont), Julie Elizabeth (Bruce Hamilton) and granddaughter Holly. Other immediate family members include his brother Ian of Durham, North Carolina, cousins Mary Beth and John, niece Eve, nephews Scott, Kyle and Glenn. He was predeceased by his brother Robert to whom he dedicated his book, *Remembering Richly—The Rewarding Outdoors*, published in 2015.

Gord was a career history teacher and for many years department head at Toronto's York Memorial Collegiate, where he enjoyed the internationalization of his classroom. He was an experienced outdoorsman, angler, hunter, ardent conservationist, environmentalist, Hunter Safety Training Instructor, solo wilderness canoe camper, ever-hopeful organic vegetable gardener, knife fancier and insatiable reader. He was an award-winning outdoors columnist and longtime hunting dog editor for Ontario Out of Doors. From 1967 to 2013, Gord assisted Michelle in the operation of Torbec Kennels which gained international recognition for its Brittany Spaniels and Standard Poodles.

Gord was a graduate of the University of Toronto Schools and of the University of Western Ontario. While attending Western he earned his commission as a Naval Officer via the elite University Naval Training Division. Later he was the Chief Instructor of a downtown Toronto Army Cadet Corps and served a number of summers as Training Officer of the sharpshooting Ontario Cadet Rifle Coach Course at Canadian Forces Base Borden. He received the Canadian Forces Decoration and the Governor General's Canada 125 medal.

Cremation has taken place. In accordance with his wishes, there will be no service. Condolences and memories may be sent through TorStar or Bernardo Funeral Homes (Albion Chapel) online guest books. Donations, if wished, may be made to the conservation or environmental organization of your choice.

"Home is the sailor, home from the sea, And the hunter home from the hill." (R.L. Stevenson)

Gord had 3 UNTD summers; '52, '53, '54 and was promoted to SLT RCN(R), sen. 1 Sep '54, O-49443, attached to YORK. It appears he was on the Ret'd List shortly thereafter.

I must admit that this is the first time I've seen/heard of the UNTD being referred to as an "elite" unit, but it is kind of catchy isn't it ?

The Obit refers to his 2015 Book and a brief review of it is as follows:

"Remembering Richly: The Rewarding Outdoors"

Prominent outdoor writer and dog breeder, Gord McIntyre, looks back over a life spent in the outdoors in Beautifully illustrated with woodcuts by Julie McIntyre, Gord's daughter, this book is a contemplative - and at times poetic - look at hunting, fishing, camping, and one man's relationship with his dogs, his daughters, and his long-suffering wife, who expressed utter horror when it was suggested she might sleep in a tent . . . and then became an expert camper.

However, age began to inhibit Gord's forays into the wilderness; and finally, he and wife moved to a condo in Toronto. His memories remain shiny and vivid, and he shares them with us along with his contemplations on modern life, dowsing, aloneness, and other random thoughts."

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