



David Maxwell Mercer

Royal Newfoundland Constabulary



David Maxwell Mercer was born in Bay Roberts on January 15, 1943. He was the eldest of seven children born to Lorraine and Maxwell Mercer of Bay Roberts, NL.

He attended the Amalgamated School in Bay Roberts and graduated in 1961. While attending school he joined the Army Cadets and went to Nova Scotia each summer for training.

David moved to St. John's in 1962 and met Marguerite (Peg) Butler, who would become his

best friend and life partner when they married in 1968.

David worked at Stokes Construction for a period of time. In 1963 he went to work at the General Hospital until December 1965 when he then joined the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary. David spent 25 years working in different departments of the Constabulary retiring with the rank of Sergeant in 1988. In 1986 he received the Police Exemplary Service Medal from the Lt. Governor on behalf of the Governor General of Canada.



In 2013 David joined the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56 and enjoyed the time he spent there.

After retirement he became a Member of the Police Veterans Association and served as Secretary for 5 years and remained an active member until his passing.

David passed away September 5, 2017, at the age of 74.

Obituary as provided by Caul's Funeral Home:

“Passed peacefully away at home on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. David Maxwell Mercer, age 74 years, in the loving embrace of his wife Marguerite (Peg) (nee Butler). Retired Sergeant of RNC. Predeceased by his parents Max and Lorraine Mercer; brothers Paul and Barry; father and mother – in – law Edward and Josephine Butler. Left to celebrate his life his wife Marguerite; brothers William (Gladys) and Malcolm (Gloria); sisters Frances Burke (Albert – deceased), Sandra Mercer; brother – in – law Damian Butler (Judy Lawlor); sisters – in – law Bernice Mercer and Deneka Mercer; special niece Belinda Clark; special friend Fred Reid, also many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Resting at Caul's Funeral Home, LeMarchant Road on Wednesday from 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. and Thursday from 2 p.m. – 9 p.m. Funeral Service will take place on Friday, September 8, 2017, from Mary Queen of Peace, Torbay Road at 10:30 a.m. Cremation to follow. Flowers gratefully accepted or donations may be made to the Children's Wish Foundation.”