

Evans, John Valentine

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It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of John V. Evans on November 23, 2021 at the age of 91. John fought a long and valiant battle against cancer with dignity, strength, and humour, protecting his loved ones from his suffering to the end. February 14, 1930 - November 23, 2021

He will be remembered lovingly in the treasured and cherished memories he created with his beloved wife of 65 years, Lise (Théoret), his four children John (Ke Ming Dong), Trish (Ted Manning), Laura (Bill Forrester) and Paul (Linda Pezzi), his grandchildren Trina (Nic Vowles) and Kerri (Dave Swatman) Forrester, Kristen and Bradley Manning and Sabrina, Anthony and Nicolas Evans, his four great grandchildren, extended family and friends. Born in Montreal in 1930, John was the youngest of 8 children (Marcella Duch (m.) Peter Iwaskiewicz (f.)) who have all preceded him.

John followed in his brothers' footsteps and joined the military in 1953, serving in the Canadian Armed Forces for twenty years, retiring on his birthday February 14, 1974. During his career he moved his family to several places across Canada (Chatham NB, Sept-Iles QC, Sioux Lookout ON, Cold Lake AB, Bagotville QC, Peterborough ON, & Chateauguay QC. In their retirement, John and Lise spent several years in Comox BC until they settled back in the Montreal area, first in Châteauguay and then finally in Pointe-Claire village. He will be missed by his many neighbours at the Royal Lanthier, where his chair in the lobby sits empty, no longer present to chat with all who pass through, regaling them with his witty conversation and unique anecdotes about life.

John was passionate about many things during his life, which included his unfailing dedication to the Catholic faith. He was an active man throughout his years, enjoying many sports including tennis, skating, skiing, and golf and always encouraged and supported his children to do the same. He was an avid walker and loved being outdoors. John had a great appreciation for the arts; singing and acting himself during his involvement in local theatre guilds. John will be most remembered for his love and dedication to his family, his religious faith, infectious smile, quick humerous wit, and enjoyment of music and dancing. He never missed an opportunity to take a spin on the dance floor, and we know he will be dancing in heaven as he watches over us.

For anyone who wishes to join John's family for the final celebrations of his life, visitation is on Monday, November 29 from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Collins Clarke MacGillivray White Funeral Home.