



**REMEMBERING**  
**Albert Thomas Joseph D'Aoust**

April 24, 1954 - May 23, 2021



It is with heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Albert Thomas Joseph D'Aoust peacefully in his sleep on May 23rd, 2021 at Ladysmith, BC. Left to mourn are his son, Terry, sisters Denise (Richard), Linda, Lorraine and brothers Fred (Helen), Leonard and Marcel, many nieces and nephews, his good friends Terry, Bruce, Ken, Paul, Jon, Dave, Mike and Laurel and a long list of students. He was predeceased by his mother Elise, stepfather Romeo, brother Roland and sister Rolande.

Albert was born in Smooth Rock Falls, Ontario, on April 24th, 1954 and spent his youth living in Toronto. In 1990, he moved to Vancouver Island with his family and settled in Duncan where he opened Canada Goju dojo where he taught karate to hundreds of students. He later changed the name of the dojo to Duncan Martial Arts Studio. He also developed his own style of karate and named it Jinen-do. His legacy is the long line of black belt students he helped to become confident and wise. His teaching career ended when he started to develop primary progressive aphasia which eventually took his memory and language comprehension. Several strokes contributed to his decline and passing.

The family would like to express their gratitude to all of the doctors and support workers that cared for Albert over the last decade, namely Roxie, Dr Saunders, Dr Wilhelm, Dr Pascoe, Sabri, Stella, Kim, Amal and the staff at Duncan Manor, Cowichan Lodge and Oyster Harbour.

In lieu of flowers, Albert would love you to spend some time in nature. There will be a get together later in the year to celebrate his life and scatter his ashes. Contact Terry D'Aoust on Facebook if you would like to receive date, time and location info.

