



**REMEMBERING**  
**Leonard Mayea**

November 16, 1942 - March 26, 2018



Len was born in Duncan, BC and except for three years overseas, spent his entire life in the Cowichan Valley. His parents, Jennie and Walter, instilled in him the importance of helping others, working hard, and following the Golden Rule. After taking courses at UVic, in 1964, he began his 35 year career as an elementary teacher by teaching at Cowichan Station School. In 1968 he went to New Zealand where he taught and lived for almost a year. Then it was off to England where he taught for two more years before returning in 1971 to teach in Yount Elementary in Youbou, BC. During his career, Len believed in the value of extra curriculum activities, daily PE, reading novels to his pupils, no double standards and leading by example.

Outside of school, he was involved with several groups. For many years he coached the CeeVACs track club and really enjoyed working with such a fine group of young athletes. He was very active in the Lake Cowichan United Church, a member of the Cowichan Valley Retired Teachers' Association and for thirty years, involved with the Cowichan Wooden Boat Society. In recognition of all his efforts to that Society, in 2010 he was given the honour of a Life-time Membership.

In 2004, he was able to fulfill one of his major goals and that was to restore an old classic wooden boat. Marcelle II, a 32 foot pilothouse sailboat built in 1948, was donated to the CWBS. Len then bought her and spent the next eleven years and over 6000 hours restoring her. He then donated her back to the CWBS.

Len is survived by his brothers Bob, Gerald (Sharon) and Ralph (Denise) and sister Wendy (Dan) Lindenbach

.Len was always most willing to help others and as his health deteriorated as a result of his cancer, he felt very blessed in having friends and family help him. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. In Lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Cowichan District Hospital Foundation.

A Celebration of Len's Life will take place Sunday June 10th from 2:00 till 4:30 at the Cowichan Golf and Country Club -

Just south of Duncan, 4955 Trans Canada Hwy

"HOLD FAST THAT WHICH IS GOOD"

- motto of Jerounds Primary School, Harlow, Essex, England

