

KIMMINS, WARWICK CHARLES

IN MEMORIAM

Warwick Charles Kimmins, age 66 of Halifax, Nova Scotia passed away peacefully at home on August 5, 2007.

Warwick was born in London, England, son of the late Charles Horace Kimmins and is survived by his mother Eileen May Kimmins of Hounslow Middlesex, London, England, his wife Ruth Kimmins, children Eliot and Sarah and grandson Eric.

Warwick was a dedicated scientist and academic who graduated with a Ph.D. in Biology from the University of London in 1965. Warwick was appointed as a professor of Biology at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia the same year. As a professor, he is remembered for his enthusiasm, humor and ability to motivate students in areas of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. From 1981 until 1990, he served as Chair of the Biology Department, then as Dean of the Faculty of Science from 1995 until 2000 and as Acting Vice-President from 1997-1998. After leaving Dalhousie University, Warwick became a co-founder in the successful Halifax Biotechnology company Immunovaccine Technologies (IVT) for which he served as President and CEO from 2001-2006, then recently as Chairman on the Board of Directors. It was in these later years of scientific research by Warwick and colleagues that led to the development of a vaccine for marine mammals, then the possibility of a vaccine platform with wide reaching health benefits for treatment of human diseases such as cancer and infectious diseases. As a father, he was an involved and loving parent, coaching soccer, cross country running, and a longtime Cub and Scout leader. Warwick was a skilled sportsman and enjoyed spending his downtime with family and friends sailing in the waters surrounding Halifax, playing tennis, skiing, running and golfing. He enjoyed traveling with family and friends to Europe for hiking and skiing holidays. In recent years, he experienced a return to the faith of his youth which was a source of support, comfort and strength as he struggled with cancer.

Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2007, 10 a.m. at Canadian Martyrs Church, 5900 Inglis Street, Halifax Nova Scotia. Celebrants will be Father James Mallon, Archbishop T. Prendergast, and Archbishop J. Hayes. Reception to immediately follow the Mass at Dalhousie University, the Henry Hicks Academic Administration Building, the Lord Dalhousie Room. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society at www.cancer.ca or by phone 1-888-939-3333.