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## Dr. Charles Richard Tim DEAN — Halifax

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It is with great sadness that we announce Tim's passing on March 7, 2023, following a short illness. Tim was born in Yarmouth on June 6, 1940 to Wilmot and Phyllis Dean. Tim left Yarmouth at age of 16 to attend Mount Allison where he met his wife of 62 years, Linda Laurie. He graduated Mount Allison in 1961, with a BSc in chemistry. He then taught chemistry at Mount Allison for one year, until Linda graduated in 1962. He attended Dalhousie University from 1962-1964, graduating with an MSc in pharmacology, and then spent the next four years at Oxford University, and graduated in 1968 with a D.Phil in Pharmacology. He then returned to the Dalhousie Department of Pharmacology, as an Assistant Professor, where he taught and did research from 1968 to 1970. In 1970, he entered the Dalhousie School of Medicine, while still teaching for the Department of Pharmacology, including his own medical class. In 1975, he graduated medical school and started a residency in Internal Medicine, followed by a Royal College Fellowship at the Hammersmith Hospital in London, England. He returned to Halifax in 1976, and began practicing as an attending Internal medicine physician at the original Halifax Infirmary, Victoria General, and Camp Hill Hospitals. He held many positions throughout his career, including the Chief of Medicine at the Camp Hill Hospital from 1983-1988. Although he was a general internist, he developed a special interest in hypertension. He had a great love of medicine and served as a mentor to many. He received several teaching awards, including the Faculty of Dalhousie School of Medicine Professor of the year in 1983, and a Faculty Citation Excellence of Teaching in Post Graduate medicine in 1995. He retired in 2006 after a remarkable 40 year career. Tim had a love of all music. He played the trumpet in his own band when he was 15 around Yarmouth, playing big band music. He sang base in church choirs throughout his life and as a member of Fort Massey Church in Halifax. He performed the Celtic Mass for the Sea at Carnegie Hall in New York City. He had a special fondness for Maritime music, and could usually be found tapping his feet and humming along. Throughout his life, Tim had a passion for the outdoors. His love of canoeing was formed at a young age, paddling and fly fishing on the Bario River with his father Wilmot and local guides, who he admired and emulated. He spent many years canoeing and camping in the backwoods of Nova Scotia with his lifelong best friend and paddling partner, Earl Martin. He also fulfilled his dream of paddling the Thelon River in the Northwest Territories with his son Jamie, and long-time friend, Don Gordon. In 1984, Tim turned a one-room, off-grid hunting shack on Payzant Lake in West Caledonia into a family camp with enough room for all his kids and grandkids. This remains the spiritual home for the entire family. His generous spirit will live on in the hearts of all those who

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MacDonald), Chris, and Jamie (Stephanie Prior); and his three grandchildren: Regan, Hugh, and Addison. He was predeceased by his parents, Wilmot and Phyllis; and his younger brother, Greg. A memorial gathering will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia [www.alzheimer.ca/ns/en](http://www.alzheimer.ca/ns/en) or Nova Scotia Nature Trust [www.nsnt.ca](http://www.nsnt.ca) Online condolences and commemorations can be made on Harbourside Regional Crematorium website: [www.harboursidecremation.ca](http://www.harboursidecremation.ca)

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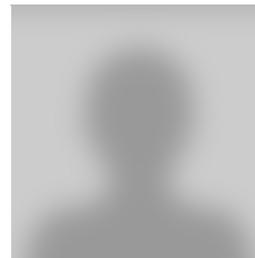
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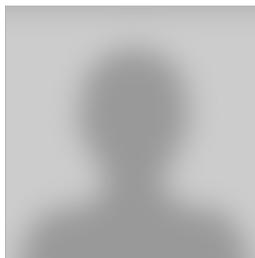
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