

IN MEMORIAM

**John Edward Cruickshank
June 24, 1942 - May 20, 2020**



On Wednesday, May 20, 2020, John Edward Cruickshank, 77, passed away peacefully at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital in Sydney, NS. Born June 24, 1942 in Sydney, he was the son of the late James and Elizabeth (Petrie) Cruickshank.

John put "Service Above Self", following the very motto of Rotary International, an organization to which he devoted so much of himself. John joined the Rotary Club of North Sydney in 1991, where he served as president for two years, also sitting, for three terms, on the board of directors. During his almost 30 years with the club, he enjoyed serving the communities of North Sydney, Sydney Mines and surrounding areas alongside his fellow Rotarians. He was avidly involved with the Youth Exchange Program and, along with his family, hosted a number of overseas students in his home. He was recognized for his service to Rotary by being awarded the Paul Harris Fellow, and was also awarded the Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002.

John's faith was a pillar upon which he based his life, and he was an active member of St. Matthew Wesley United church in North Sydney. John was always positive, friendly and outgoing, and combined that with his love for singing while a member with the Cape Breton Chordsmen. John treasured his Chordsmen family and the camaraderie John shared with these special men.

John was an active member of the Cape Breton Island Hoppers walking club and enjoyed all of their walks and social activities.