



## Alec Dobson

October 24, 2023

1947-2023

Alec Dobson passed away on October 24, 2023, at Scarborough Centenary Hospital after a sudden illness. He was 76 years old.

Alec was born in Spalding, England in 1947, the youngest of three sons to Bert and Lucy Dobson. He attended the University of Edinburg and graduated with a degree in chemistry. After graduation he travelled for several months overland across Europe and Asia and eventually to Australia. This was the start of his lifelong love of travel. After working in Australia for a few months he returned to England and subsequently immigrated to Canada. Alec had a long career with the City of Toronto as Chief Chemist for the Water and Waste water department. During his life, Alec continued to travel extensively with his main objective being bird watching.

Alec will be missed by his wife, Maria, and her family as well as his daughter Alice and her family, his son Ewan, and his brother Ian and family.

We wish to thank the staff at Centenary Hospital's ICU department who did all they could for him.

As per Alec's wishes, a simple cremation will be followed by a private scattering ceremony at a favourite birding spot.

In lieu of cards and flowers, please support the Scarborough Health Network.

# Tribute Wall

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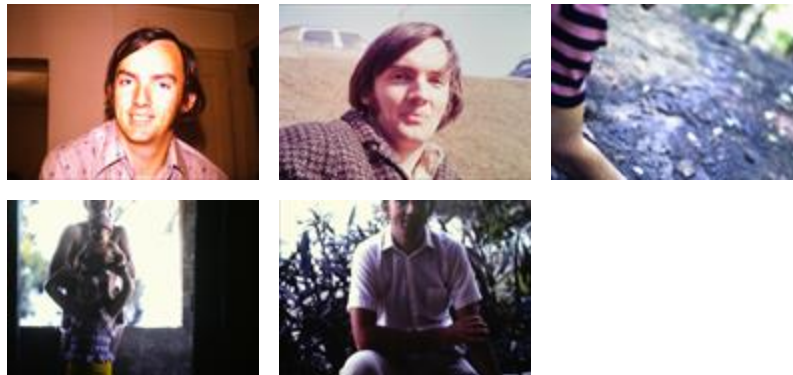
“ *Me: How far does the sky go?  
Alec: It keeps going on and on forever.  
Me: Why?  
Alec: Because if there was a brick wall there, you'd say "What's behind the brick wall?"*

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“ *6 files added to the album Alec Dobson 1970s 1980s*



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“ *It's hard to think of one memory of my father, I knew him a long time. One thing that sticks out is how much he hated tomatoes, he couldn't stand them and thought they were awful. I like tomatoes but funnily three of my children seem to have inherited that tendency of his, the other two are lukewarm of tomatoes at best. Because of this, I've given up on putting them in salads or really even buying them. If I want a tomato I'll buy one for myself because I know no one else will eat them. It may seem silly, but my kids' disdain for tomatoes will always remind me of my dad. Alice Dobson*

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Alice Dobson - October 28, 2023 at 01:12 PM

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Sorry for your loss!! 🙏🙏

**Doreen Dorofee** - October 31, 2023 at 07:11 PM

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“ Alec was 10 when I joined the RAF but I remember the time our father was growing his prized gooseberries for a horticultural competition sadly and my two younger brothers Malcolm & Alec realised how tasty they were. when Dad got home he found an empty bush we were not popular. He will be missed. Ian Dobson.

**Ian Dobson** - October 27, 2023 at 08:03 AM