



## Mr. Richard Matthew Gibson

May 10, 2011

After a long, productive and rewarding life Richard passed away peacefully on May 10, 2011 in his 93rd year at Sunnybrook Veterans' Centre, his home for the last 3 years. Richard was predeceased by his wife Margaret in May of 2010 after 68 years of marriage. Left to celebrate the lives of two wonderful parents are their daughters Lynda Smith, Fran Bonisteel and Laurie Clark along with her husband Chris. Recipients of a strong moral code, many life lessons and lots of happy memories are the grandchildren: Leslie Nowitski and her husband Geoff, Michael Smith, Dan Clark and his wife Amy, Gordon Clark and Jill Clark. Great-grandson Alexander Richard Nowitski was treasured by Richard. Richard was predeceased by his sister Helen and leaves sister Marion & Tom Henderson and brother Leonard and Jean Gibson; also Margaret's brothers Frank & Jean Sellar and Beverly Sellar (widow of George). His nieces and nephew are left with fond memories. Richard was a proud naval veteran having served in the Royal Canadian Navy during World War II aboard the HMCS Swansea. Richard had a distinguished career of over 40 years with the Toronto Police Service including being a member of the original Homicide Squad. He retired with the rank of Inspector and for many years oversaw the investments of the Widows & Orphans Fund. Retirement saw Richard & Margaret build a home near Baltimore, Ontario where for more than 30 years they enjoyed nature, gardening and the country life and made many new friends. The family is grateful for the outstanding care Richard received at Sunnybrook Veterans' Centre, L Wing First Street West. The staff

provided superb medical care as well as compassion, friendship and kindness. At Richard's request, cremation has taken place and there will be no service.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

# Tribute Wall

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“ Laurie and Clark family,

*My sincerest condolences on the passing of your father and grandfather.*

*Mike Rosenberg*

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**Mike Rosenberg** - May 16, 2011 at 09:37 AM

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“ Laurie and Chris and family,

*Gillian and I (and the kids) offer our deepest condolences. Your father sounds like he was quite a man!*

*Love, The Rosenbergs*

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**David Rosenberg** - May 16, 2011 at 07:57 AM