

In Memoriam: Brigadier General Jack Cadieux

It is with a profound sadness that I learned the passing of Jack Cadieux, a long serving member of the club and a co-founder of the Harvard Business School Alumni Association of the National Capital. Jack was kind, compassionate to fellow members and most generous in donating his time and financial support to charity initiatives, including CHEO, Haiti Solidarity, and Harvard Student Scholarship Fund.

Jack was awarded the Governor-General's Medal at the Royal Military College. He earned his Bachelor of Electrical Engineering at McGill University and a Master of Sciences in Electrical Engineering (Radio Astronomy) from Queen's University. He was a prime candidate for the position of first Canadian astronaut on NASA Space Shuttle; but, he opted for Harvard University, where he was awarded an MBA (with distinction). Jack was designated to receive a Doctor of Military Science Honoris Causa from RMC in November.

As President of HBS Club and subsequently Harvard Club, I valued Jack's precious advice and mentorship as a caring and engaging thinker of exceptional depth and humility. A couple of years ago, during a Harvard conference hosted by the French Embassy, I asked Jack to thank the Ambassador, Mr. François Delattre, for his hospitality and insightful speech on the role of France in the world today. Although the request was impromptu, Jack spoke magnificently thanking our host and referring to the deep bonds of kinship and friendship between France and Canada.

Words cannot do justice to Jack's immense contribution to Canada and NATO; nor can they convey my gratitude and admiration for such a friend, whose unwavering commitment to fellow alums, alma maters, the children and the poor, were inspiring to all of us, both at Harvard University and Harvard Club.

Our condolences go to Jack's partner, Ruth Watson, and family.

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President, Harvard University Club

PS. Jack was proud of his French and Canadian heritage (www.eharvard.org/hbs/Cadieux-1629.pdf). For more on his career, please consult: www.eharvard.org/hbs/Cadieux-Bio.pdf

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CADIEUX, Brigadier General "Jack" John Paul Anthony

Peacefully, with family at his side in his cherished cottage Saturday, October 1, 2011 at the age of 76. Jack was proud to call the Royal Military College (RMC), McGill and Harvard his Alma maters and received word Friday, September 30 that he has been designated to receive a Doctor of Military Science Honoris Causa from RMC at the fall convocation in November. He led a full life with distinguished military service followed by many years in federal public service and the private sector. He was

passionate about work, love, family and friends and in his retirement was fortunate to be able to often stop and smell his beautiful roses. He is survived by his beloved life partner Ruth Watson, children Paula, Michelle, Roisin, Jaqui (Marc), Eileen (Martin) and John (Justyna) and their mother, Agnes McBride. Grampa Jack to Noemi and Dalina (Paula), Giuliana and Felix (Roisin), Jordan and Bernadette (Jaqui), and Olivier, Sophie and Henry (Eileen). Brother of Lorna Kelly and uncle and great-uncle to many wonderful nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mother (Clare O'Grady), father (Tony Cadieux), younger brother Gerry, niece Danielle and his eldest son Patrick. We would like to give special thanks to palliative care nurse Gini Jarvis and Dr. David Gold for their compassion and tremendous help. Friends are invited to visit at the Central Chapel of Hulse, Playfair & McGarry, 315 McLeod Street (at O'Connor) Wednesday, October 5 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial Mass to be held at Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica, 385 Sussex Drive, Thursday, October 6 at 2 p.m. Interment and reception to follow at the National Military Cemetery, 280 Beechwood Avenue. Donations to the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation in lieu of flowers.