

**George Douglas Coggan, OLS #1414  
1947 - 2015**



Douglas Coggan was born on February 3, 1947, and died at home on July 20, 2015 after enduring his last months, but still continuing to welcome friends and neighbors into his home.

Doug was born and raised in Calgary Alberta, attended Sunalta Public School and Sir Alexander McKenzie Public School, Vincent Massey Junior High and Viscount Bennett Senior High School. He enjoyed playing trombone in his school bands and the Lion's Club Band, and was a proud member of the secondary school wrestling team. In 1966 the Coggan

family moved to Scarborough, Ontario, where Doug completed his secondary school education at Birchmount Park Collegiate.

After a year studying Physics at the University of Waterloo, Doug worked a summer for Ray Scott and immediately decided to pursue a career in Land Surveying, articulated to Ray and J.D. Barnes Ltd. He was commissioned on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 1975, then practiced with Donevan & Fleischmann Co. Ltd. before initiating his own private practice in Oshawa, and eventually partnered with Merrill Brown in Bowmanville to form Brown & Coggan in 1987. Douglas has served our Association well, as Chairman of the Insurance Advisory Committee in the mid 1990's and was considered by those who knew him, to be a 'compliment to our profession'.

Those who knew him personally, loved his joy of life and his dedication to his family. Doug was introduced to Lynne Waters by a draftsman who was married to Lynne's sister, and on August 7, 1970, they were married.

The Coggan family (Melissa and Michael) graciously shared their joy in the home lovingly built in 1977. Their back yard, amongst the oak forest near Pontypool, was again shared with friends and neighbors on August 15th, as we all celebrated Doug's life and reminisced with pictures and stories of Doug and Lynne's many world trips, which some of us had joyfully shared.

Sent by Mr. Lynn Brown, OLS