

Memorial Service
for
John Campbell Foley
February 19, 1934 - March 11, 2026



Saturday, May 2, 2026, at 2:00pm

Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. Shawn Bullock
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John Campbell Foley was a beloved husband of 63 years to Hilary, devoted father to Jennifer, and father-in-law to Tom Prasol. John was a proud grandfather to Ryan and Dylan. He was predeceased by his son, Peter, and will be deeply missed by family in Northern Ireland and Australia.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, John's life began by the sea—a love that never left him. As a young marine engineer in the Merchant Navy, and later at the Belfast Shipyards, his hands and heart were shaped by ships, tides, and the rhythm of the water. That same spirit carried him and family across the ocean to Canada, where he made a home in Montreal, New Brunswick, and ultimately North Vancouver.

Friends will tell you that John had a smiling face, a twinkle in his eyes and was always ready for a good chat, a great story or to tell you a joke.

John's passion was sailing, whether it be Strangford Lough, N. Ireland or the Gulf Islands, you could always find him near the water. John was a talented painter, especially with water colours. Many special memories with John were made enjoying Jazz Festivals with great friends with a glass of wine in hand. Camping and golf trips to Lake Chelan with close friends was always good "craic"! He treasured time in Whistler with family.

John was a proud member of the West Vancouver Legion, serving in the Colour party for many years.

John's memory will live on in the stories we share and the hearts he touched. Rest gently, your voyage was long and full, and your wake will carry on. John will forever be in our hearts.



Musical Prelude

Welcome - The Reverend Dr. Shawn Bullock

Sentences of Hope

"I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and is committed to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

John 11: 25-26

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

John 14: 1-3

I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come; nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8: 38-39

First Hymn - Morning Has Broken

The Collect

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **O God, the maker and redeemer of all,
grant us, with your servant John,
and all the faithful departed,
the sure benefits
of your Son's saving passion and
glorious resurrection;
that in the last day,
when you gather up
all things in Christ,
we may with them
enjoy the fullness of your promises;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God for ever and ever. Amen.**

The First Reading

Reader A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is
planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones,
and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace,
and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

Psalm 23 - The Lord's My Shepherd

Please stay seated as we sing the Psalm together.

Eulogies

- **Colum Currivan**
- **Jen / Tom Prasol**

Gradual Hymn - All Things Bright and Beautiful

We sing verses 1-2 of the Gradual Hymn, after which the Gospel is read.

Gospel Reading

Reader The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Reader A Reading from the Gospel of John

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. "

John 13:34-35

Reader The Gospel of Christ

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

After the Gospel is read, we sing the final two verses of the Gradual Hymn.

Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Shawn Bullock

Solo

You Raise Me Up

by Rolf Lovland and Brendan Graham

Sung by Janet Harris

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism,
as we say,

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the
power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and
is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

May all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection die to sin and rise to newness of life, and may we with him pass through the grave and gate of death to our joyful resurrection.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care that casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

Grant us grace to entrust John to your never-failing love which sustained him in this life. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favour you bear for your people.

All Hear us, Lord.

Intercessor

All this we pray in Jesus name.

All Amen.

The Peace

(We acknowledge and share the Peace of Christ with each other.)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Choir Anthem

What A Wonderful World

by George D. Weiss & Bob Thiele

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us say:

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin
against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Poem

Crossing the Bar

by Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Read by Jen/Tom Prasol

The Commendation

Celebrant Give rest, O Christ,
 to your servant with your saints,
 where sorrow and pain are no more,
 neither sighing, but life everlasting.
 You only are immortal,
 the creator and maker of all;
 and we are mortal, formed of the earth,
 and to earth shall we return.
 For so did you ordain
 when you created me saying,
 "You are dust, and to dust you shall return."
 All of us go down to the dust;
 yet even at the grave we make our song:
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,
 we commend your servant John.
 Acknowledge, we pray,
 a sheep of your own fold,
 a lamb of your own flock,
 a child of your own creation.
 Receive him into the arms of your mercy,
 into the blessed rest of ever lasting peace,
 and into the glorious company
 of the saints in light.

All Amen.

Blessing

Hymn - Be Thou My Vision

Ministering today are:

Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. Shawn Bullock
Musicians: Galina Martyniuk (piano, organ)
Choir Director: Christie Smith
Eulogists: Colum Currivan, Jen & Tom Prasol

*The Hilary and Jen would like to thank you for being present
at this memorial service for John Foley.
Please join us in the lounge downstairs for a reception,
where we can share memories.*



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