

John W.H. Gill

1934 – 2026



Comrades

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of John Gill yesterday May 21, 2026. John had been in long term care for the last several months after a fall.

He had a British military stint with the 10th Royal Hussars 1951 to 1955 serving with the British Army on the Rhine (BAOR) in West Germany. John subsequently moved to Canada and until retirement several years ago was a self-employed gardener in the Sidney area.

John joined the Sidney unit of the Army, Navy & Air Force Veterans (ANAVETS) Association in 1989 and was elected to the Unit Executive for at least five years, was a Mother's day volunteer for several years taking care of the flowers, marching in of the traditional pig ceremony on New Year's Day, a member of the Unit colour party for all occasions and always found time to volunteer as a meat draw ticket seller. In 2016 John received his Life Membership of the ANAVETS Association.

John would tell many stories about growing up in the southern part of England during the second world war. John's loyalty was evident when after retiring from gardening he continued to shine a prominent client's shoes. When John spoke, everybody listened.