

The following is a Memorial Note from the AIBC Vancouver Island Chapter, written by Chris Gower Architect AIBC, Vancouver Island Chapter Chair.

Memorial Note – Raymond Goldsworthy

I write to recall our departed long-time Vancouver Island colleague, architect Raymond Goldsworthy, who passed away in Victoria on November 12, at the age of 86.

Ray had been a well-regarded member of our architectural community on the Island for many decades. Both his work, and his personal influence, have made substantial contributions to our built landscape, and – in his time – to the spirit of our local architectural culture.

Ray was born and raised in North Vancouver, and graduated from the University of British Columbia School of Architecture in the early 1960s. He worked for several years in the Vancouver area before relocating to Victoria, and by the 1970s had co-founded the well-known local firm of Marshall Goldsworthy Architects.

Ray had many friends among Vancouver Island architects and in building industry circles. He was known as an amiable and good-natured colleague, and as an architectural practitioner of deft skills and very strong dedication. Ray's accumulation of positive relations with many clients over the years was reflected in the steady output of years of fine projects throughout Vancouver Island and the province. Ray, with the office of Marshall Goldsworthy Architects, was the first firm on Vancouver Island to incorporate a pioneering computer system in their work in the late 1970s. The practice was known for their work for seniors housing and care homes, and teamed up with their friend architect Nick Bawlf on the competition-winning submission for the Victoria Conference Centre.

Ray completed his career in his own practice, with a noteworthy signature project, the Broadmead Lodge Care Home.

On behalf of the Vancouver Island Chapter of the AIBC, we have extended condolences to Ray Goldsworthy's family.

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