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Dr. Douglas J.K. Mewhort

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Queen's Psychology Professor Emeritus **Doug Mewhort** passed away on Thursday February 28, 2019 after a short stay in hospital. He was with his loving wife, Beth and daughter, Heather.

Doug received his undergraduate education from the University of Toronto: ARTC, 1960; BA (Hons) 1964, and his graduate education from the University of Waterloo (MA, 1965; Ph.D., 1968). He joined Queen's Department of Psychology in 1968 and was appointed as a Full Professor in 1982.

He took two negotiated leaves from Queen's, the first at the Center for Visual Science University of Rochester in 1971-72 and the second at the Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Forschung, Universität Bielefeld, Germany in 1984-85.

He has served on the Board of the Canadian Psychological Association (Sept 2015-present), on the Board of the High-Performance Virtual Laboratory (2003 – 2014, now called the Centre for Advanced Computing). He has served as President and a member of the Executive of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, & Cognitive Science. He also has served as Editor of the Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology (2009 – 2013), Associate Editor of Psychologische Forschung/Psychological Research 1988-2002, and Consulting Editor of Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception & Performance.

Doug had published more than 100 papers in refereed journals in Psychology and edited two books on High Performance Computing. Over his career, he had supervised 21 Masters and 17 Ph.D theses. He was an elected Fellow of both the Canadian Psychological Association and the American Psychological Association.

On Friday February 15, 2019 Doug received the news that he was the 2019 Donald O. Hebb Distinguished Contribution Award from the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science.

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Doug's obituary can be found at: <https://jamesreidfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/1049/Dr-Douglas-Mewhort/obituary.html#tribute-start>