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While Bob was an unusually broad-minded scholar, he was recognized internationally as the dean of goose-plant interactions in Arctic environments, a field of study he almost single-handedly created. Because of the importance of his work, Bob Jefferies was nominated to serve as one of the Canadian representatives to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). With the other IPCC members, Bob shared the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to the IPCC in 2007. His former graduate students now occupy positions of influence throughout the Canadian ecological establishment, where they play instrumental roles in developing national policy in ecology and environmental sciences.

In lieu of flowers, donations are appreciated for a scholarship in Bob's name. Please address to "University of Toronto" (with "Robert Jefferies" in the memo line) and send to: Office of Advancement, Faculty of Arts and Science, 100 St. George Street, University of Toronto, Toronto, M5S 3G3. A memorial is scheduled for the Fall.
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