



**In loving memory of
baby William Patrick Holmes**

Stillborn July 28, 1963, third child of Les
and Violet Holmes.

Wish we could have held you,
hugged you... we will one day.

Meanwhile we are thankful to have found your place
of rest, after 43 long years, thanks to the article,
Memorial Garden Dedicated. (The Province, October
2, 2006.) "A memorial garden dedicated to more than
10,000 babies buried anonymously at Mountain View
Cemetery opened on the week-end... in most cases
the families were never told where their babies were
buried. But they never forgot them..."

An immediate web search of the cemetery records
showed a boy baby Holmes, born on the correct
date, but I had to be sure. Fearfully, I contacted the
cemetery and a kindly woman e-mailed a copy of
their Burial Permit, confirming beyond all doubt
that our baby was indeed buried there. Something
indescribable welled up from a painful little
compartment, locked away somewhere in the depths
of my being. It was a huge blessing to be free at last! -
free to weep, free to speak of it, free to visit the
Memorial Garden, free to honour him with his name
inscribed on a stone, free to dedicate our annual Child
Run to him - and so much more.

Sincere thanks to Mountain View Cemetery; manager
Glen Hodges, and the landscape architects, and to
Glenda Luymes for her article, and Ric Ernst for the
accompanying picture. God Bless!