

Much-loved curé Fr. Jean Marcil dies at Herdman

Curé Jean de la Croix Marcil, for more than 50 years parish priest at Herdman's St. Patrick's Church, died Saturday Dec. 2 at the age of 80.

His death came less than a year and a half after his retirement was marked with a special party in August 1994, attended by hundreds of people from throughout the region, as well as by his parishioners. He spent his retirement in the Valleyfield residence for retired Catholic clergymen.

50 years service

Ordained in 1940, Curé Marcil came to Herdman four years later and over the next half-century became a well-loved institution in the community and in the small but active St-Patrice-de-Hinchinbrooke parish.

"He knew everybody, enjoyed speaking with people, and, in spite of health problems in his later years, was always one of the first to visit anyone who was sick," recalled one area resident who knew him well.

Honored by Diocese

He was honored with a Diocesan Medal by Valleyfield Bishop Robert Lebel in 1990, on the 50th anniversary of his ordination.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at St. Patrick's Church, followed by interment in the Parish cemetery.

Father Marcil is survived by a sister-in-law, Marie-Rose Marcil, a nephew Robert and a niece Christiane.

(C.A./J.T.)



Curé Jean de la Croix Marcil

Births and Deaths

Cards of Thanks, In Memoriams, Marriage Notices, Engagements, Announcements.

DIED

GOSNELL, Gwendolyn E. - of Ormstown passed away peacefully in her sleep at the age of 29, on Wednesday, November 22 at the home of her grandmother, Ethel Judson in Charlottetown, P.E.I. Survived by her loving parents Donald Gosnell and Joan Judson, by sisters, Sandra and Elizabeth, brothers Steven, Charles and Duncan, and special friend Ken Brooks. Funeral service at St. Andrew's United Church in Vernon, P.E.I. on Saturday at 2 p.m., November 25.

MOORE, Fergus - At the Barrie Memorial Hospital on December 1, 1995, Fergus Moore aged 79 years. Beloved husband of Myrtle Brooks. Dear father of Fred (Sue), Garth, John and Mary. Cherished grandfather of Jordan, Sita, Courtney and Sarah. Visitation was held Saturday, December 2 from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the J.M. Sharpe Funeral Home, Franklin Centre. Graveside service was held on Monday, December 4 at 1 p.m. at the Wesley United Church Cemetery on Covey Hill Road. In lieu of flowers donations to the Wesley United Church would be appreciated.

PRYDE, Alexander G. - At the Cornwall General Hospital on December 4, 1995. Beloved husband of 63 years of Helen Ferguson; dear father of Jean (Gordon Grant) and the late Judith (Bruce McLellan); loving grandfather of Robert and Julie Grant (Ian Gidluck); Ted and Brent McLellan. No visitation. Private funeral service Wednesday Dec. 6 in the Chapel of Kelly Funeral Home, 19 Lake St., Huntingdon, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, a donation to a charity of your choice would be appreciated. Arrangements by Kelly Funeral Home Ltd., Huntingdon, Que. (Prop. Gilles Serre).

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank the hospital staffs at the Barrie, Valleyfield and the General for the kind and loving care I received while a patient with them. Also everybody who remembered me with prayers, cards, calls, good wishes and many acts of kindness. It was a great support and much appreciated.

Ann Whitehead

Most sincere thanks to all those who helped celebrate my 97th birthday, for gifts, cards, visits, phone calls, and a special thank-you to Pauline and her staff. All was greatly appreciated.

Nelly Paré

My sincere thanks to Dr. Thompson, Dr. Aikin and nursing staff on the second floor of the Barrie Memorial Hospital for the excellent care I received, also for the kindness, visits, gifts, cards and good wishes. Many thanks.

Bill Bannon

I wish to thank Dr. Brissette, Dr. Aikin, Dr. Thompson, the nurses in intensive care unit on the second floor and in the emergency for the excellent care I received while a patient at the Barrie Memorial Hospital. A special thank you to the Hemmingford Ambulance, to my family, friends and neighbours for their prayers, visits, cards, flowers and phone calls. All was much appreciated. May the good Lord bless everyone.

Sincerely
Irène McAllister

My sincere thanks to my family and friends who sent cards, flowers and food to us and also telephone calls I received while a patient in the Montreal General. Thank-you to the EMT's who were so kind to me and thanks to the Doctors and nurses at the hospital who were very caring and concerned.

Sincerely,
Mildred Hadley

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the emergency room at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, and also Dr. Lemieux and Dr. Geukjian at the time of Mr. Thomas Hingston's death. Also to all the friends, neighbors and his colleagues from Ottawa, who attended the funeral. I have received many acts of kindness and help, such as flowers, hospital donations, food, cards, phone calls and transportation. He is survived by his friend of many years Miss Gaetane Demers, cousins Mr. Archie St. Onge, Mrs. Clarence Rabidoux (Margaret), Mrs. James Hume (Evelyn), Mrs. Loretta Hingston Shaw, Mrs. David Moog, (Elaine), Mrs. Arthur Verzulli (Lorraine) and his sister Florence Hingston.

IN MEMORIAM

KERR, Isabel

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and grandmother who passed away December 6, 1994.

God took her home, it was his will

But in our hearts, we love her still.

Her memory is as dear today,

As in the hour she passed away.

We often sit and think of her when we are all alone

For memory is the only friend that grief can call its own.

Lovingly remembered by her husband, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren.

DEATH



FATHER

Jean de la Croix Marcil In Herdman on December 2, 1995 aged 80 years. Beloved father of this parish for the past 50 years. He leaves to mourn his sister-in-law Marie-Rose Marcil, his nephew Robert and his niece Christiane. Visitations will be held at the St-Patrice church, Herdman on Monday December 4 and 5 from 2 to 5 pm and 7 to 10 pm, also on Wednesday December 6 from 9:00 a.m. Funeral service will be held at St-Patrice church in Herdman, Wednesday December 6 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at the parish cemetery. In lieu of flowers, masses would be greatly appreciated by the family. Funeral direction entrusted to Rodrigue Montpéti et fils Inc. 170 Chateauguay street Huntingdon.

55th wedding anniversary



Mr & Mrs Marcel Taillefer celebrated their 55th anniversary of life together this past July with their family.