

# **BIRTHS & DEATHS**

## **CARD OF THANKS, IN MEMORIAMS, ENGAGEMENTS**

### **BORN**

**LEGROS** - It's official! Jacob has an adorable new baby brother! Noah Simon Joseph was born on September 22nd, at 11:43 a.m. He weighed 7 lbs. 3 oz. Jacob shares his happiness with his mom (Céline), his Dad (Marc) his Grandpa (Claude) and many Uncles, Aunts and cousins.

### **CARD OF THANKS**

To family, friends and neighbors my sincere thanks for your assistance, visits, the beautiful and delicious fruit basket, cards and telephone calls at the time of my surgery and convalescence. All was greatly appreciated.

Gordon Watson

### **CARD OF THANKS**

The family of the late Raymond Gaese, of Hemmingford, would like to extend our sincere thanks for the overwhelming show of sympathy and support of family, neighbours and friends in the Chateauguay Valley during a time of such deep loss for all of us. A very special thank-you to everyone in the Hemmingford Community, to the United Church Women of St. Andrew's United Church, to Reverends Birgit Neuschild, Phil Joudrey and Elke Mehnart, to the congregations of the United Church in Franklin Centre, Ormstown and Howick, together with the staff and pupils of Hemmingford Elementary School and Chateauguay Valley Regional High School, and the staff and students of the United Theological College in Montreal, for your tremendous compassion and kindness. An extra thank you to Gilles Serre and Earl Orr for all your effort. Please consider this as our personal, and most heartfelt, thanks. God bless you all.

## Obituary

# Late Henry G. Ware honored at Ormstown Legion service

C.P.O. Henry G. Ware, D.S.M. passed away at the age of 83 on September 14, 2000 in Alexandria, Ont., where he had been living with his son André. He had previously lived in Ormstown for a number of years and was a member of Ormstown Legion Branch 196.

After joining the Royal navy as a boy seaman in 1934, he served on cruisers and capital ships after training at H.M.S. Ganges. In 1942, Henry was seconded to a covert small-vessel operation in the Eastern Mediterranean, running arms and ammunition to Tito's rebel army in Yugoslavia. He received the D.S.M. for his participation in this operation.

By the end of the war, Henry was a Petty Officer diver, later a Chief Petty Officer diver on the diving research ship H.M.S. Reclaim, involved in research on helium and mixture-breathing as applied to deep diving. He became a leading expert on this subject and, using a mixture-breathing system, was the only diver able to reach the sunken submarine H.M.S. Affray which had gone down with all hands.

#### **Moved to Canada**

After retiring from the Royal Navy,

Henry emigrated to Canada, working as mate and captain on Foundation Maritime Ltd. vessels and taking part in many ship salvage operations in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Atlantic, with this company and later with Atlantic Towing Ltd. The last 10 years of his career were spent working with the Canadian Coast Guard on the Great Lakes.

Henry was a wonderful father, a great shipmate and companion, friend, and one of the world's true gentle men. He will be sorely missed, now that his voyaging is over, his harbor safely reached.

His children Eric (Val) in England; Peta (Glenn) and Kristina (Don) in BC.; Alec (Kathia) of Montreal; André of Alexandria, Ont., and special brother-in-law Shaun of Wales all attended the memorial service. He was predeceased by his wives Eileen and Madeleine. He will be fondly remembered by grandchildren Claire, Ashley, Joshua, Lisa, Brett, Kristina and Tracy.

A memorial service was held in his honor by the Ormstown Legion Branch 196 on September 18, attended by all of his children and other family members.

(LR/JT)