

PEOPLE

A Century of Clarey: Clarence Laverty at 100

Not long ago, Ormstown residents could see a brown Plymouth Sundance, driven by a snowy-haired gentleman and a very large German shepherd, making its way slowly through town. Born January 9, 1903, in Debec, New Brunswick, the same year Ford released its first car, Clarence Laverty drove until he was over 90.

Ever industrious, Clarey started his distinguished career at 13, selling bones obtained from local farmers to an American company to make dishes. This enterprise folded, due to his mother's complaints of unpleasant odors emanating from the back shed. Clarey did not stay unemployed very long. He helped out in his father's small store by testing the samples brought by candy salesmen.

Crazy moose

The Lavertys moved to Edmonton in 1919 where Clarence attended technical school before being accepted by the University of Alberta into their fledgling electrical engineering department. Tall and strong, Clarey was



Clarence "Clarey" Laverty: 100 this week.

one of the biggest players on the U of A football team from 1924 until he graduated in 1928. Those summers between classes were spent with a federal surveying party that went up the Mackenzie River into the arctic by canoe. Eighty years later, Clarence still tells tales of portaging, paddling, and half-crazy moose.

Paddling and football behind him, Claren-

ce went to Hamilton and worked for Westinghouse. He met Doris Woods after being transferred to Montreal. The couple were married in 1936. Three children, Susan, Richard and Hannah May came along between 1939 and 1946.

Clarence was a master of his trade. During WWII he traveled throughout Canada setting up power plants for the war effort. His work after the war at the Boiler Inspection Insurance Company was so respected that in 1947 Anglo Canadian President Elliot Little recruited him to help "the Anglo" overhaul its operations. Mr. Little liked Clarey and sent him to scout sites for new paper mills across the mid-southern states. Clarence's career took him across Canada, the United States, Mexico, and England.

Active retirement

Retiring in 1968, Clarey continued his practice of never doing anything in half-measure, with over 35 years of active retirement. Doris and Clarey moved to Prince Edward Island where Clarence spent long hours in the garden and tool shed. Each summer saw enough strawberries produced to feed the entire region. In 1983, these talents followed the Lavertys to their bungalow on Chemin-de-la-Ferme in Ormstown, where Clarey's garden was resplendent once again.

Family and friends will celebrate Clarence's 100th birthday at the Ormstown Centre d'Accueil between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 18. Well-wishers are welcome.

(Doris Laverty and Erica Denison/JT)

Birth and Deaths

Card of Thanks, In Memoriams, Engagements

DIED

ARTHUR, Rose - Suddenly at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital on Sunday, December 22, 2002 Rose Arthur (née Legros) of Waterdown in her 75th year. Beloved wife of John W. Arthur. Cherished mother of Curtis and Pauline of Waterdown. Dear grandmother of Rachel, Andrew and Isabelle. Survived by 1 brother Albennie Legros of Quebec. Friends were received Monday, December 23, 5-9 p.m. at the Kitching-Steepe Funeral Home, 146 Mill St., N. Waterdown where Funeral Prayers were held on Tuesday, December 24 at 11 a.m. Interment Burlington Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Cancer Society.

CAMERON, Helen (née Brown) - Peacefully in Sydney Australia on Sunday, December 29, 2002 at the age of 88. Wife of the late Clifford Cameron. Loving mother of Tom (Elaine) and Gary (Diane). Beloved grandmother of Megan (Brett), Jennifer and Adam. Fondly remembered by Grant (Lorraine) Cameron, Marion Brown and her many nieces and nephews. Helen spent most of her sixty married years with Clifford working on their family farm in Huntingdon. They retired to Williamsburg and on Clifford's passing four years ago, she moved to Australia to be with her sons and their families. Funeral was held in Sydney on January 3, 2003. Memorial donations to St-Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Huntingdon, Quebec would be most appreciated.

DUHEME, Nelson - At the Huntingdon County Hospital on December 27, 2002 passed away Mr. Nelson Duhome aged 81 years. Beloved husband of the late Patricia McManamon and dear father of Brian and Kevin (Diane Guenzel). Survived by his grandchildren Andrew, Meghan, Devin, Jeffrey, Melissa, Jessica and Erin. He was the brother of the late Edmund, the late Genevieve Dineen, the late Cecil, Valencia Manson, Hughen, the late Percival and Carl. Visitation hours were Sunday, December 29, 2002 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. and Monday, December 30 from 9 a.m. at Rodrigue Montpetit et Fils Inc., 170 Chateauguay St., Huntingdon. Funeral service was held Monday, December 30 at Huntingdon St-Joseph Church at 11 a.m. Burial at St-Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the C.V.R. Educational Foundation or Charity of your choice.

ENGLISH, Donald James - Passed away at the Barrie Memorial Hospital on December 20, 2002 at the age of 83, beloved son of the late William John English and the late Charlotte Pitts; loving brother of Alice Perras, William, Malcolm (Evelyn) and Ruth (Milton Evans). Predeceased by Howard and Russell. He will be sadly missed by family and friends. Funeral service was held from the chapel of the McGerrigle Funeral home Inc. on December 23. In lieu of flowers donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be greatly appreciated.

MYRE, Edmond - In Ste-Agnès de Dundee on December 31, 2002 at the age of 77 years passed away Mr. Edmond Myre, husband of Mrs. Marie-Paule Quenneville. Besides his spouse, he leaves to mourn his children André (Margaret Souter), Marcel Pierre (Yvonne Viau), Lise, Denise (Michael Mayes) and Marc (Cynthia St-Mary), fourteen grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, two sisters Lucia and Rita, his brother Jean as well as many friends and relatives. There was visitation on Friday, January 3 from 7 to 10 p.m. and as well on Saturday, January 4 from 9 a.m. at Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc. Funeral Home, 170 Chateauguay St., Huntingdon. Funeral was held on Saturday, January 4 at 11 a.m. in Ste-Agnès de Dundee Parish Church. Interment Ste-Agnès Cemetery. Donations to the Diabetes Society would be greatly appreciated.

DIED

PATTERSON, Victoria (née Kazulak) - Accidentally on January 1, 2003 in her 84th year. Predeceased by her beloved husband Merrill, four brothers and four sisters. Survived by her brother James Kazulak of Champlain, New York, her sisters Isabel Beckstead of Cornwall, Ontario and her sister Helen Vincelle of Fort Covington, New York. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. The family will receive relatives and friends at Gilles Serre Funeral Home Inc., 48 de l'Eglise Nord, Lacolle. The service will be held Thursday, January 9 at 11 a.m. in Notre Dame de Mont Carmel Church in Lacolle. Thence to Lacolle Cemetery. Visiting hours from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8. In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Kenneth MacDonald wish to extend their sincere thanks to family and friends for their love and support during our time of loss. Your flowers, cards, expressions of sympathy and donations to the Women's Auxiliary of the Barrie Memorial Hospital were greatly appreciated. We are also grateful to the doctors and nurses of the third floor of the Barrie Memorial for their care of our husband and father during his illness.

Myrtle MacDonald and families

We would like to thank all the 3rd floor in care of Jean Rice, Dr. Brissette and nurses of the Barrie Memorial and also the CLSC for their kindness. We also would like to thank the relatives, friends and neighbours for their generosity in our time of loss.

The Rice family

The warmth of your sympathy and comforting friendship at the time of Jean Latreille's death on November 21, 2002 touched us deeply. We would like to thank friends and relatives who expressed sympathy either by mass offerings, flowers, cards, donations, visits or attendance at the funeral or any other act of kindness. Please consider these thanks as personal.

His wife Rachelle
His children Carole (Donald),
Donald (Sylvie), Stéphane (Louise)
and his grandchildren

Thank-you to Dr. Hébert, his colleagues and his personnel. A big thank-you to the CLSC team who allowed Jean to pass away peacefully at home.

On behalf of the less fortunate families of our school community I would like to thank every one of you who helped in any way with the Christmas boxes - that were sent out from CVR. Approximately 110 children were happier because of our combined efforts. In the words of Tiny Tim (*God Bless Us Everyone!*)

Ruth Graham Petch

IN MEMORIAM

CURRIE, Walter G. - In loving memory of a much loved husband, Dad and Grandad who passed away January 11, 2000.
*There will always be a heartache,
And often a silent tear,
But always precious memories,
Of the days when you were here,
You will go on living in the hearts,
Of those you've touched,
For nothing loved is ever lost,
And you were loved so much.*

Lovingly remembered by Barbara,
Robert & Myra, Jim, Toa & Robert,
Pam, John, Andrew & Katie

IN MEMORIAM

CAMPEAU, Anne - In loving memory of a dear daughter, sister, aunt and great-aunt who passed away January 3, 2001.

*God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be,
So He closed His arms around you,
And whispered "Come to Me".
In tears we saw you sinking,
We watched you fade away,
Our hearts were almost broken,
You fought so hard to stay,
But when we saw you sleeping,
So peacefully from pain,
We could not wish you back,
To suffer that again,
So treasure her, Lord,
In your garden of rest,
For here on earth,
She was one of the best.*

Sadly missed and always loved by mother,
sisters, Maureen, Jeanne (Chris), Julie
(Dale) and Amy (Ian),
nieces Michelle and Meagan,
grandnephews Nathaniel and Vincent