

Birth and Deaths

Card of Thanks, In Memoriams, Engagements

DIED

GRANT, Warren Russell - In Huntingdon County Hospital on October 29, 2006 passed away Mr. Warren Russell Grant aged 82 years. Beloved husband of the late Nellie Therrien. Son of the late Hugh Grant and the late Etta McElwain. Survived by his sisters Lois (late Joseph Pilon) and Shirley (late Dalton Stark), his nephews Lloyd (Faith), Richard (late Rita) and Joey (Sandra) and many relatives and friends. Visitation will be held at the Kelly G.S. Funeral Home, 19 Lake Street in Huntingdon on Thursday, November 2, 2006 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., Friday November 3 from 10 a.m. A funeral service will take place in the Chapel of the Funeral Home on Friday, November 3, 2006 at 11 a.m. Burial at Zion Church Cemetery, Dundee. Donations to the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Huntingdon County Hospital, 198 Chateaugay, Huntingdon, Quebec J0S 1H0 or charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

HENDERSON, Thelma Kelly - In Huntingdon on October 28, 2006 passed away Mrs. Thelma Kelly Henderson aged 78 years. Beloved wife of the late Gerald Henderson. Predeceased by her son William "Billy". She leaves to mourn her daughters Gail (Ken Inglis) and Glenda (Patrick King), her sister Helen Marshall and her brother Basil Kelly, three grandchildren Erin, Kyle and Kelsey and many relatives and friends. Visitation will be held at the Kelly G.S. Funeral Home, 19 Lake Street in Huntingdon on Tuesday, October 31, 2006 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday, November 1, 2006 from 1 p.m. A funeral service will take place at St-John's Anglican Church in Huntingdon on Wednesday, November 1 at 2 p.m. Burial at the Gore Cemetery. Donations to St-John's Anglican Church, Huntingdon would be appreciated.

L'HEUREUX, Joffre Sr. - At the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, on October 26, 2006, at the age of 89 years passed away Mr. Joffre L'Heureux Sr., husband of Lise Lemay. Predeceased by his son Michel. Besides his wife, he leaves to mourn his children Claudette (Garfield Beare), Albert, Jean (Denise), Raymond (Heather Gracie), Joffre Jr. (Gisèle Cartier), seven grandsons, eleven granddaughters, great-grandchildren as well as many relatives and friends. The family will receive condolences in St-Joseph's Church, Huntingdon, on Saturday, November 4, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. followed by the funeral at 2:00 p.m. Interment St-Joseph's Cemetery. Donations to the Huntingdon Hospital would be greatly appreciated. Funeral arrangements: Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc., 170 Chateaugay St., Huntingdon, Quebec.

LEDUC, Roger - In Huntingdon on October 26, 2006 at the age of 85 years passed away Mr. Roger Leduc, husband of the late Yvette Monique. He leaves to mourn his daughter Nicole, his granddaughter Chantal (Michel) and his grandson Jocelyn (Josée), two great-grandsons. Joey and Jacob, nephews, nieces, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, as well as many relatives and friends. The family will receive condolences in St-Joseph's Church, Huntingdon on Thursday, November 2, 2006 from 10:30 a.m., followed by the funeral at 11:00 a.m. Interment St-Anicet Cemetery. Donations to the Cancer Society would be greatly appreciated. Funeral arrangements Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc., 170 Chateaugay Street, Huntingdon.

IN MEMORIAM

DESCHAMPS, Renaud 1932-2003 - In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather.

You are sadly missed every day.

Violet, Diana (Marcel), Lisa (Martin), Vanessa, Robert, Chloe-Jade, Emmitt and Ashley

DIED

VAILLANCOURT, Pierrette - Passed away at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown on October 27, 2006 Mrs. Pierrette Vaillancourt aged 55 years. Beloved wife of Greg Brunette. She leaves to mourn her daughter Tammy, two grandsons Brody and Riley, brothers, sisters and many relatives and friends. Visitation will be held at the Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Funeral Home, 170 Chateaugay, Huntingdon on Wednesday, November 1, 2006 from 2 to 5 and 7 to 10 p.m. also on Thursday, November 2, from 1 p.m. A funeral service will take place at St-Joseph's Church in Huntingdon on Thursday, November 2 at 2 p.m. Burial at a later date. Donations to the Barrie Memorial Hospital in Ormstown would be appreciated by the family.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank Dr. Gaspard, nurses and staff of the Valleyfield Hospital and Dr. Vidor, nurses and staff of the Barrie Memorial Hospital for all their wonderful care and kindness. Also many thanks to family, friends and neighbours for their visits, gifts, cards, phone calls and help. All was greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Wilbur Stowell

My sincere thanks to the local ambulance service and to Dr. Geukjian and all the doctors, nurses and staff in the Emergency Room, the C.C.U., and on the third floor of the Barrie Memorial Hospital for the wonderful care I received while I was a patient there. We are fortunate to have this hospital near us with such a competent and caring staff. Also, a special thank you to relatives and friends for visits, gifts, cards, phone calls and many other acts of kindness which will always be remembered.

Shirley Grant Stark

I would like to thank all my friends and relatives for their support during my recent illness with phone calls, cards, visits and food. Just knowing that you care really helps. A special thanks to Margot and Joan my special angels.


Violet Deschamps

BORN

DEAR-ASSELIN - After being married on January 12, 2005 on the beach in Cancun, Mexico, Shawn and Renée are happy to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Logan Lee, weighing 8 lb. 4 oz. at Queensway Carleton Hospital, Ottawa, Ont. at 11:45 a.m. September 22, 2006. First grandchild for Larry and Shirley (Sedgwick) Dear and of Norman Asselin (Ghislaine Blanchette) and Susan Asselin (Shepard) and Patrick Toulze. Great grandchild of Rita Steele and of Leopold and Fernande Asselin, also several aunts, uncles and cousins. The happy family are residing in Ottawa.

LAURENCELLE, Emma Anik - Lynn McIver and Abraham Buijs and Diane and Paul Laurencelle are pleased to announce the birth of their first granddaughter, Emma, born on October 20, 2006 at the Royal Victoria Hospital, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. Proud parents are Heidi Buijs and Eric Laurencelle. Great grandparents are William and Eileen McIver and Paul-Emile Lamothe.

Birthday Party



The family of
Alice Wilson
cordially
invites you to her
85th Birthday Party
at Walshaven, Ormstown,
35 Hector Street,
Sunday, November 12th,
2 - 4:30 p.m.
Best Wishes Only

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Huntingdon's former police and fire chief made a difference

Terry McConnell

Joffre L'Heureux served as a police officer in three cities in Quebec for five decades. He was first, a young constable in Sherbrooke, and then Chief of Police (the youngest at age 26) in the city of Richmond and (the oldest at age 69) in Huntingdon. He offered a half-century of service and protection.

"If you are not familiar with the name Joffre L'Heureux, it is probably because he chose to pursue a career in law enforcement rather than explore his potential for international bodybuilding success. Yet, in his day, he did more to promote bodybuilding in Canada than anyone outside of the brothers Weider," said long time friend, and President of the International Federation of Bodybuilders, Ben Weider in a special statement of tribute.

As Chief of Police in Richmond, L'Heureux's exploits were legendary. His relative youth, seemingly small physical



Huntingdon's Joffre L'Heureux standing in front of a photo of himself after winning the 1947 title of Mr. Canada. (Terry McConnell photo)

stature, he was only five-feet eight and a half inches, and his light weight, not much more than 180-pounds, he was called upon to clean up what was then a rowdy town filled with lumberjacks - many considerably larger than himself.

Long time residents of Richmond still speak of his conquering more than one bully at a time and offering them lodging behind bars if they caused trouble again. He tamed the town within a short period before accepting the assignment of Chief of Police in Huntingdon, where his mandate was somewhat similar (clean up the town) and his success rate equal to the task.

L'Heureux was Chief of Police and Chief of the Huntingdon Fire Department until he retired December 31st, 1986.

Joffre L'Heureux was a competitor at many levels, as a strongman, a champion marksman, Eastern Canada Wrestling champion in his weight division and

multi-award winner in bodybuilding competitions including, in addition to being crowned Canada Most Perfect Physique 1947 at Montreal's Monument National, he was voted most muscular in similar competitions in 1948, and in 1951 was recognized by the International Federation of Bodybuilders as Canada's best developed athlete.

In November of 2005, Ben Weider C.M., C.Q., SBSIJ, PhD and President of the International Federation of Bodybuilders presented Joffre L'Heureux, in his 89th year, with a very special award. A trophy and "Certificat of Honour", with an accompanying note stating his long time friendship admiration and respect for Mr. L'Heureux.

Joffre L'Heureux created the Huntingdon police department from its foundation. He developed a systems analysis, tracing and recording all events relating to policing of his jurisdiction. In addition to Police Chief, he was also a mentor to the youth of Huntingdon by redirecting young lives into productive members of the community.

Joffre L'Heureux was highly respected by members of his community and members of American police and State Troopers in neighboring New York State, and Quebec provincial police, both of whom he dealt with on a regular basis. His retirement banquet saw more than 250 members of the community on hand, from the local mayor and councilors to high provincial and federal government representatives, police and fire associates, as well as many family members, and representatives of the general public. They all paid tributes of respect and admiration for a man who devoted the majority of his life in their service and protection.

In his farewell address, the Huntingdon police and fire chief summed up his half-century career in law enforcement with these words: "I have always felt that it was my duty to help my fellow citizen to find a proper solution to the problem that was submitted. In applying different laws, I have always sought to be as human as possible so that all decisions would be respectful of the rights of everyone without exception whatsoever."

These are the attributes of a well-rounded, well-grounded police officer fully deserving of all accolades.

Joffre L'Heureux died this past Tuesday, October 26. At the age of 89, Joffre L'Heureux leaves his family that included his loving and devoted wife Lise (nee Lemay), four sons, one daughter, 18 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and one great great-grandchild.

Joffre L'Heureux truly made a difference!