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Downtown Merchant J. A. McIntosh Dies

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Funeral service for a prominent member of Belleville's business community John A. (Jack) McIntosh, will be held Tuesday.

Mr. McIntosh, 79, died New Year's Day at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto.

He was president of McIntosh Bros., the major clothing and dry goods operation, which still does business at its original Front St. location opened by the family in 1892.

Mr. McIntosh was also the last remaining charter member of Belleville Kiwanis — among the community service groups which he helped start or in which he was active from earlier years.

He symbolized the store's family tradition — opened by his father, John, and an uncle, William, — and was still actively involved in its operation when it marked its 85th anniversary last year.

His two sons, Douglas and Murray, are the third generation in the business.

Born in Belleville, he served overseas in World War I with a Cobourg artillery unit.

When he returned, he went to work full time at the store — by then owned outright by his father. He became owner when his father died in 1925.

The McIntosh operation also includes a store at Cobourg.

Over the years he expanded and changed the business to specialize in clothing, quality drapes, coverings and carpets. His store won the garment industry's Judy award for fashion and promotions.

He was a life member of the Belleville Shrine Club and the

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Quinte Friendship Chapter, and a member of King Baldwin Preceptory and the Masonic Moira Lodge 11 AF and AM.

Mr. McIntosh was predeceased by his wife, Ethel Frances Vandervoort.

Besides his two sons, he also leaves a daughter, Mrs. Shirley (Ralph) Morton of Belleville.

Other survivors are a brother, William C. McIntosh, Belleville, and three sisters—Mrs. Harriett Bannerman, Middletown, Conn.; Mrs. Clarence (Jean) Saylor, Trenton; Mrs. Grace Walters, Toronto.

A brother, George, and a sister, Mrs. Alice Anderson, both of Belleville, also predeceased him.

Mr. McIntosh will rest at John R. Bush Funeral Home until noon Tuesday. Service will then be held in Bridge St. United Church at 2 p.m. Burial will be in Belleville cemetery.



J. A. McINTOSH

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