

Mr. and Mrs. George Benway of R.R. #3 of Demorestville celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary at an open house given by their family at Bethel Hall, Bethel Street on October 23, 1977.

The bride and groom were married on October 26, 1927 at the United Church parsonage in Consecon by the Rev. Tyrell. The bride's sister Mrs. Bessie Smith was bridesmaid and best man was her brother-in-law Mr. Clifford Smith, now deceased. The bride was the former Laura Hamilton, daughter of the late William Hamilton and Hettie Doughty of Madoc and the groom was the son of the late Frank Benway and Ruth Eaton of Hillier, Ontario.



groom of fifty years October 26, 1927 at parsonage in Consecon Tyrell. The bride's Smith was bridesmaid and best man was her brother-in-law Mr. Clifford Smith, now deceased. The bride was the former Laura Hamilton, William Hamilton and Madoc and the groom late Frank Benway and Ruth Eaton of Hillier, Ontario.

Mrs. Benway has ten brothers and sisters, Mabel, Muriel, Bessie, Roy, Kenneth, Allan, Murray, Earl (deceased), Ruth and Velma.

Mr. Benway has five in his family, Viola, Charles, Edith, Geraldine (deceased) and William (deceased).

Mr. and Mrs. Benway moved from their family farm in Hillier township to Doxsee's community in the fall of 1944 to the former George Reed farm, where they still farm with their son and grandsons.

Neighbours, family and friends called at Bethel Hall during the afternoon to wish them congratulations and best wishes. They were greeted at the door by their only son Ronald, his wife Gloria and their three grandsons, Dwayne, Dennis and David.

The bride and groom received their guests, along with their bridesmaid Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Benway was dressed in a floor length royal blue polyester gown with long chiffon sleeves. She wore an orchid corsage, also a gold necklace and earrings set, a gift from her family.

A tea table covered with a gold linen tablecloth centred with a three-tier wedding cake and gold candle sticks in crystal holders. This was attended by sister's-in-law Mrs. Roy Hamilton, Mrs. Charles Benway, Mrs. Kenneth Hamilton and Mrs. Mae Benway. Tea, cookies and anniversary cake was served by neices and grand neices of the couple.

Mr. & Mrs. Benway received many beautiful gifts that day, one being a 400 day anniversary clock from the community.

*Deceased*

*George Benway May 25, 1997*

*by Phyllis Lane*