

their ever-growing family Algonquin Park where he worked as a logger. He also

children, and Gerald was one of them. He was born May 8, 1898."



This photo was taken approximately 1903, just before John Tuck and Mary Howard Tuck returned to this area to live on a farm in Haldimand Township.

Their three youngest children are Gerald, then 5, Sheridan, 3 and Charles, 1. The family was living in Algonquin Park where John was a logger, carpenter and tradesman.

Photo courtesy Barry F. King

Following the Algonquin purchase, John and Mary moved the family back to a farm in Haldimand Township at Lot 4, Concession 7, about 1905. The original family log home they had left behind was dismantled and reassembled at the new homestead.

Gerald attended Red Cloud School, now evidenced by traces of foundation just west of the Red Cloud Cemetery. Great nephew Barry King, an artist, has sketched the former school building. (That sketch appears on page 17 of today's paper).

Gerald opted to try his life out in western Canada, heading for Winnipeg when he reached maturity. In 1918 he was employed by the Canadian National Railway, or fortuitous bonus.

"He had a railway pass so he would come back every so often and visit his father and other family members," Barry relates.

John Tuck died in 1942, and the return visits diminished. Gerald was an active participant in the Union Movement in Winnipeg and maintained an abiding interest in Winnipeg politics and development throughout his life.

A machinist and tool and die maker for over 40 years, Gerald retired in 1960. Although he was largely self-educated, he was fluent in English and French and was an avid reader. His last year's, he was a resident of the Lions Manor.

Gerald was predeceased by his wife Muriel Harrison in 1960 and his eldest son Douglas of Colorado in 1996. His daughter Ginger Miguez and son-in-law Anthony Miguez of Winnipeg were at the August 21 Cramahe Township ceremony, as was son John of California, granddaughters from Denver and great-granddaughters from Winnipeg. Son Allan of Victoria was unable to attend.

"He was a very kind and gentle man," Barry says of his great-uncle. "It was actually a very happy event. It may well be the last 'burial' ceremony at the Red Cloud Cemetery."

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