

# Ken Hulford bowling lane proprietor



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The owner and proprietor of Acton Bowling Lanes, Kenneth Hulford died suddenly at his home, R.R.1, Acton, on Friday.

Funeral service was Monday afternoon at the Shoemaker funeral home, conducted by the Rev. A.H. McKenzie, followed by cremation.

Mr. Hulford is survived by his wife Ruth, son George Arthur of Pickering and daughter Gayle (Mrs. Barry Stewart) of Concord, California; sister Mrs. Rene McDermitt of Hamilton, eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mr. Hulford had a long career in the bowling business, and was to have been especially honored in

November. One proprietor each year is honored at the Builders of the Industry dinner of the Bowling Proprietors Association of Ontario. This year Ken Hulford was to have been the person singled out for his achievements.

He was one of the founders of the Bowling Proprietors Association, which is marking its 25th anniversary this year. He was a director over 20 years, a past president, past chairman of the board and presently was membership services chairman.

He was a member of the Canadian Bowling Proprietors Association, and the Youth Bowling Council. He was also a member of the

Master Bowlers Association, qualified to teach youth bowling.

Rose Redyk of Georgetown, president of the Ontario association, said that Ken was well-loved and respected in the Association. He was the sergeant-at-arms at their convention, and will be missed in June at his usual post, welcoming everybody.

He was born in England, coming to Canada as a child. The Hulfords were married in 1928 at Hamilton.

The Hulfords moved to Acton in May of 1954 when he bought the business here. He had managed bowling lanes at Hamilton previously.

They lived on Frederick St. and then Lakeview subdivision before moving to the

country.

He was a former member of the Rotary Club.

His business kept him busy and "his heart and soul were in bowling", as a friend commented.

He took special pleasure in the fact he had four generations of bowlers in the leagues. He was particularly fond of the youngsters in the youth bowling leagues.

He attended final banquets throughout the years, the last one the evening before his death. The lanes closed for the season Thursday.

In his address during the funeral service, the Rev. McKenzie pointed out Mr. Hulford contributed a service to his community. The bowling lanes provided a

healthful outlet for children and a congenial gathering place for adults.

He wrote a lively bowling column for the Free Press for many years, ending each week with the same familiar words, "That winds it up, my friends, so adios, amigos, and good night, Concord City."

# Council concern for services

Alarmed that the province, without consulting the region, is going to dump all the responsibility for area children's services in the region's lap, the community and social services committee is making moves to improve communications with the province concerning the issue.

The committee wants the region to be designated the official point of liaison with the Ministry of Community and Social Services concerning children's services as they apply to the region. In addition committee members want Ministry officials to meet with them to explain the Ministry's intentions.

Committee Chairman Walter Mulkeiwich said he

was concerned that the Ministry has never officially communicated to Regional Council the changes it plans.

Once scattered under several administrations, most children's services in the province were brought vices in July 1977. The Ministry has also been talking about the establishment of local bodies composed of representatives of various segments of the community to administer services to children.

In a report to the committee chief administrative officer Ernie Reid said the province has advanced the notion that local governments should have the ultimate responsibility for funding. At the same time the Ministry pro-

poses the services be administered by the local children's services committees.

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