

OBITUARY

Doreen Merrill loved by all

Doreen Merrill struck a chord in the hearts of everyone who knew her.

Mrs. Merrill, 60, diagnosed with leukemia eight years ago, died at Toronto's St. Joseph's Health Centre July 16.

While others close to her were opting for baseball, Mrs. Merrill was entertaining them all on the piano. Even after her own wedding ceremony to her beloved Earl, the guests gathered around the piano to listen to her play.

Mrs. Merrill fell captive to the romances of a Campbellford man, while they danced to the sounds of George Wade and Corn Hucksters. The couple were married soon after.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill and their children Terry and Rhonda moved to Georgetown in 1970 where they became active members of St. Andrew's United Church. Mrs. Merrill sang in the church choir and Mr. Merrill became a steward.

Mrs. Merrill was also active in the community as a member of the Lioness Club, where she became president. Interests in the Lioness' eventually led to her involvement in Lions Camp Dorset for Kidney Dialysis Patients, the Good Neighbours Christmas hampers, funding for hospital equipment and many others as well.

It was said Mrs. Merrill possessed a rare and brilliant quality to truly understand the feelings of people close to her. Friends knew having Mrs. Merrill as a friend was to have a true friend who of-



Doreen Merrill

ferred support all through the rough times.

Despite her illness, Mrs. Merrill never lost faith, continuing her support in the community. Her faith and musical talent were great assets to the Choral Society, the Bennett Centre, the Durham Street Seniors exercise and recreation, and a road show entitled God's People, staged by St. Andrew's Church.

Whenever the opportunity presented itself, Mrs. Merrill climbed behind a piano and shared her joy for music.

Funeral and committal services were held last Friday at St. Andrew's United Church.

Any contributions are asked to be donated to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital or the Canadian Cancer Society in Mrs. Merrill's memory.

Cambridge Branch 121 visitors provide afternoon entertainment

Sick Chairman's report - A visit this week to Gordon Bottoms in Georgetown Hospital, and to Alec Goldie in Credit Valley Hospital, revealed that both are progressing satisfactorily.

The progress report on Mary Doane, presently in Sunnybrooke Hospital is not as favorable, according to her daughter. She can receive visitors but as she has suffered a stroke is unable to communicate.

Our prayers and good wishes for a speedy recovery go out to all our sick and shut-in comrades. Charles Tutty phone 877-0618.

Meat Draw July 21 - Lottie Bottoms (a three time winner), Ab Ford, Doris Bouley, Judy Grace, Jean Thomas, Rita Rayner, Keith Tost, K. McHugh, F. Kirk, Keith Ewing. The steaks were won by Jackie Janiec.

After the meat draw on Saturday afternoon our members were entertained by "Norm and the Boys", visitors from Cambridge Branch 121. They regaled us with music and songs from the 50s and 60s era, country and western and many colorful songs and music from Newfoundland. An added bonus was Colin Gibson rendering a couple of songs and accompanying himself on the guitar. We extend an invitation to Norm, Harold, Tony and Pat to come visit us again. Nellie Bell will have perfected her playing on the spoons by then and can accompany "Norm and the Boys" while they perform. Thanks for a pleasant afternoon.

Car Club Draw July 19 - #110 Mary Golden, #33 Art Hall, #51 Elizabeth McNeilly, #328 Norm Long, #90 Jackie Credland, #87 Joyce Studdard.

Friday Night Euchre July 20 - Ladies 1st Mae Tost, 2nd Jean Harley, Most Lone Hands Flo Carswell, Mens 1st David Hannah, 2nd Em Sargent, Most Lone Hands Glad Inglis.

ENTERTAINMENT
July 23 - Ken and Hazel in the lounge.

August 18 - Friendship Dinner



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(see the steward)
August 25 - Corn Roast.
Strathcona Reunion 1990
Calary (Civilian Perspective)
It was a weekend portrait of silver haired gentlemen in the Regimental Green jackets, the light constantly catching the glint of coloured ribbons, shiny medals, that bejewelled most of their attire. Alongside their wise predecessors were the tan dress uniforms of the current serving Lord Strathcona Horse. (R.C.). Side by side, it was very easy to visualize the retirees, contrasting with the fresh faces and eager voices of their youthful compatriots, they too having had the exuberance of youth and the quick step of anticipation.

The original dress uniform of the mounted calvary were a splash of bright colours, shiny helmets, horse plumage, and lance, made their appearance that much more (cavalier). The 90 years of the L.D.S.H. was well represented by the "old world" soldier/cavalryman, the World War I, World War II, Korean veterans, and serving peacetime personnel.

Amid these men, and between their conversation and memory recall, the women, who in no less capacity served as well were as pastel flowers in their dress. They

too renewed old friendships, and perhaps also the misadventures, follies, and the high points, in following the man in uniform. Happily most offspring of these fine gentlemen and ladies have gone forward with their lives and achieved the highest aspirations for which many in these regiments fought and died to defend.

As a child of the Canadian Armed Services, this reunion gave me the opportunity to once again taste the flavour of the forces in their Pomp and Ceremony, the tradition and patriotism, that in these troubled times in Canada, seems somewhat lacking, is a constant in the personnel of Canada's forces.

That part of my life is now a closed chapter, but this reunion revives old memories and all the experiences that have made me what I am, and it was wonderful to temporarily immerse ones spirit in a cleansing way, and to touch base once again with a most unique life experience.

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Miracle Mart has new owner

Halton Hills consumers may never know Georgetown's Miracle Food Mart has a new owner, says Bob Winstanley, Steinberg's public affairs director.

Although Steinberg Inc., which owns Miracle Food Mart and Ultra Mart, has sold 69 of its Ontario stores to the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. (A and P) for \$235.5 million, the intent is not to change a thing, said Mr. Winstanley.


The intent is to keep everything the same including the name, said Mr. Winstanley. He also said the 10,000 employees have been offered the same conditions under A

and P as offered by Steinberg Inc. "There really won't be much difference than under the previous owner," said Mr. Winstanley.

Corporation D'Acquisition Socanav-Caisse Inc., that bought Steinberg for \$1.3 billion last September officially put the chain up for sale a month ago, Mr. Winstanley said. The sale was part of an overall divestment plan, he said.

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