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BODNAR, Ernie



With deep sadness, the family announces the passing of Ernie Bodnar on January 12, 2020 in hospital surrounded by his loving family. Survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Dorothy Ann, daughter Laura, sons Grant and Glen, and sister Jean Kissick. Predeceased by his son Gregory in 2015. Much loved grandfather of Lisa, Lauren, Anthony, Peter, Adina, Shannon and Nikki, and greatgrandfather of Carter and Sofia. Ernie was proud of his Ukrainian heritage and kept those traditions alive for his family. In St. Catharines as a teenager, he excelled at hockey, reaching the junior ranks and then attended Boston Bruins rookie camp. Ernie completed civil engineering at University of Toronto where he played Varsity hockey, winning the national championship. Ernie became the city engineer for the City of Mississauga and

growth of the city. Later, he continued his career in private land development and began his own consulting company. Along the way, Ernie found time to coach hockey iuvenile Georgetown, was active in the Lion's Club and became trustee and chairman of the Halton District School Board. Ernie was recognized as citizen of the vear in Georgetown in 2009 for his contributions to development of The Gallery at Bennett Village. He enjoyed golf at North Halton for 50 years and curling with his sons. He cherished fly-in fishing trips with his close friends, even if no fish were caught. Ernie loved cooking, family gatherings by the pool and big red wines. He was known for his integrity, irreverent sense of humour, hospitality and warm nature, and above all else, the importance of family. He was one of a kind. Cremation has taken place. A celebration of Ernie's life will be held on Sunday, February between 1 and 4 p.m. at The Club at North Halton In lieu of flowers, please consider a Cancer donation to Assistance Services of Halton Hills or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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Online condolences may be made at www.jonesfuneralhome.com

O'BRIEN, Ruth Louise (nee Lane)



On January 8,2020 at the age of 93 years, our wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother went home to be with her Lord. Born to George and Louisa Lane on Christmas Day in1926, following her twin, Murray William into the world. For nearly 50 years, Ruth was the loving wife of the late Everett (Red) O'Brien and devoted mother of Shirley Stapleton (Robert), Edward (Ina),. William (Theresa), Bonnie Bruce (Randy), Maureen O'Brien and the late Joanne O'Brien. Ruth was the caring grandmother of Amanda Davis (Martin), Andrew Edward O'Brien, James Stapleton (Brenda), Melanie Page (Mark),. Lauren O'Brien, Daniel O'Brien,

Stephanie Bruce (Alex) and Bruce. Katelyn Great-Grandmother to Harrison, Luke, Hudson, Lyla and Caleb. Survived by sister Helen Benjamin. Predeceased by brothers Murray, John and Cecil Lane and sister Lulu Harrison. Lovingly remembered by numerous nieces and nephews. A gifted pianist and organist for over 70 years. Ruth served the Lord in several churches as a music and choir director. She shared her talent over five decades by teaching piano to countless students. To all who knew her, she was gracious and kind, working tirelessly in what God called her to do. Friends were received at the Jones Funeral Home, 11582 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown, on Monday, January 13, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. A funeral service began at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Spring Interment Huxley memory Cemetery. In contributions to the Gideon Bible Society are greatly appreciated by the family. To send expressions sympathy, please visit www.jonesfuneralhome.co

"The music stops... and yet it echoes on in sweet refrains... For every joy that passes, something beautiful remains."

And while she lies in peaceful sleep, her memory we shall always keep



BARSTEAD, Brian

After a long and hard-fought battle, at the age of 65, Brian succumbed to his pain and suffering. He passed away peacefully at Hospice Wellington on Saturday, December 14, 2019 with his long-time loving spouse Liz Leslie and her mom by his side. Brian is predeceased by his father Arthur Roy and mother Loreta Pearl. A Celebration of Brian's Life will be held at Glen Oaks Funeral Home Reception Lounge 3164 Ninth Line, Oakville (at Dundas St.) from 12 - 2 p.m. Speeches will begin at 1 p.m.: this will be a time for friends to share their favourite memories of Brian. The family invites you to bring any photos or memorabilia to share. Interment will follow at Glen Oaks Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Brian's memory may be made to Hospice Wellington or Foundation of Guelph General Hospital.

Donations and condolence messages can be made at www.glenoaks.ca

> May Brian rest painlessly in peace.

GAMSYAGER. David

After a courageous battle Gary Gamsyager David nassed peacefully Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at Credit Valley Hospital in his 77th year. Dave was the father of two amazing sons with his wife Heather Gamsager, the late Brian Gamsyager (1999) (Janis Gamsyager) and Andrew Gamsyager. Dave was the proud grandfather to Nicole Gamsyager (Eric Taborowski) Dillon Holmes-Gamsyager. Dave remarried Joanne Gamsyager separating years later. Dave will leave behind a legacy of family loyalty that will be carried on for generations to come. Visitation will be held at Glen Oaks Funeral Home, 3164 Ninth Line. Oakville. on Friday, January 17th from 5-8 p.m. A funeral service will take place at Glen Oaks Funeral Home on Saturday, January 18th from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Loving and kind in all her ways. upright and just to the end of her days; sincere and true, in her heart and mind. beautiful memories, she left behind.



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