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**MORTON, Gord**

June 26, 1927 - January 14, 2022



Dearly loved Dad of Heather and Greg and devoted husband of the late Fay Morton (1989) and companion of the late Mabel Hives (2021). Dad was an active community member throughout his lifetime. Creating the Men's Major Bowling League, leading Boy Scouts, coaching children's bowling and baseball, becoming a founding member of the Georgetown Senior's Centre, today a thriving hub for seniors to meet and enjoy a range of shared activities, Dad was an avid participant in the Seniors' Games across Canada. At age 73 he became a Crossing Guard and so enjoyed meeting the families and especially, the family dogs. An active member of Holy Cross Church (now Sacre Couer), he helped to fund raise for the former, "new" church location on Maple Avenue, was an Usher before the dawn of the Parish Council and enjoyed a lifetime friendship with Father Dave and "the boys". The annual Superbowl, card playing weekend that continued after Father Dave's transfer to Hanover was a highlight. Dad added curling to his pursuits,

enjoying the camaraderie and kinship of his team mates and attending bonspiels throughout the Province. In 1973, he became a member of the Knights of Columbus, fulfilling roles as a Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator. He conceived and hosted the annual "Bluebird Golf Classic", a fundraiser for the Arthritis Society that ran under his leadership for decades. He also hosted the Gord Morton "Fun Day" bowling tournament for ten years. Through these initiatives, Dad made many lifelong friends amongst the community, business and its leaders and was always grateful for local business support whether it was a contribution to the "prize table" or receiving his call whether able to contribute or not. An honourable and ethical man, he sat on several boards as President, Treasurer or Secretary, open to filling in whatever role needed to be met. He enjoyed a successful career as General Manager of L.H. Frost and later with Inglis Limited where his leadership, sense of fairness, thoroughness and efficiency combined with his regard for people prompted many engaging stories from his colleagues when he retired, many of with whom maintained contact. Mom and Dad were married for 39 years before her sudden death in 1989. Mom being a minimalist, any hobbies and collections had to be neatly tucked away. The collector in Dad was unleashed with her passing, with everything from

marbles to iron car banks occupying open surfaces. Mabel, whom he met in 1992 shared his passion for collecting. He had a great sense of fun, "loved to kid around", getting together with friends whether bowling, square dancing, house parties, or, for a game of cards. He travelled across Canada and throughout the United States. He enjoyed Vegas and cruises, the people he met, the warm climates and soaking up the sun. Car rides on a sunny day and road trips with no destination in mind were particular favourites. Amongst his final words were, "I'm planning a road trip, I don't know where". He always said it was important to have something to look forward to... Visitation will be at the Jones Funeral Home, 11582 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown (905)877-3631 on Friday, January 21st from 3-5. Funeral Mass at Holy Cross Church, 14400 Argyll Road, Georgetown on Saturday, January 22nd at 10:30. Mindful of the well-being of others and consistent with Dad's regard for the community, all are invited who are fully vaccinated. If unable to attend for any reason, please take a moment to remember an enjoyable memory with Dad. In lieu of flowers, donations to a local food bank, animal shelter or a charity of your choice are appreciated. Due to reinstated Covid 19 protocols visitation is by appointment only. Please phone the funeral home to book.

May the winds of love blow softly and whisper so you'll hear; we will always love and miss you and wish that you were here.

Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep, I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glint on snow, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn's rain. When you awaken in the morning hush, I am the swift uplifting rush, of quiet birds in circled flight, I am the soft stars that shine at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die.



**FAVER, Agnus "Bitsy"**

January 13, 1959 - January 11, 2022

Agnus "Bitsy" Faver passed away peacefully at the Oakville Hospital on January 11, 2022, surrounded by her beloved husband John, son Phil and son-in-law Michael. She is preceded by her daughter Claire with whom she will be reunited under the grace of God. Everyone who was lucky enough to know Bitsy will cherish her gentleness, quick wit, mischievous smile and big heart. Due to COVID and to accommodate so many of her friends and family in South Africa, a celebration of life will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Brain Canada Foundation would be appreciated. [www.mackinnonfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.mackinnonfamilyfuneralhome.com) (519) 853-0350 or 1-877-421-9860 (toll free)

Just a thought of sweet remembrance just a memory sad and true, just the love and sweet devotion of one who thinks of you.

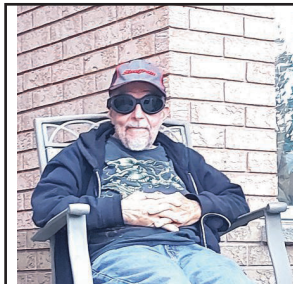
Pleasant in manner, patient in pain, our loss is your eternal gain.



**JOHNSTON, Connie Crowdis (née Kyffin)**

Born May 12, 1932, passed peacefully January 13, 2022, at Twin Oaks of Maryhill residence in Maryhill, Ontario. Survived by husband Ron, children Lorena (Tom Boychuck), Edward, and Andrea Crowdis, brother Robert Kyffin and sister Sheila Green (Richard). Predeceased by husband Lloyd Crowdis, sister Patricia Kyffin. Connie was an avid bird watcher and hiker who enjoyed nothing more than walking in any season with her bag of bird seed, binoculars, and a well-used copy of Roger Tory Peterson's bird guide. Favourite spots were Kortright Centre for Conservation in Vaughan, the Deer Trail in Elliot Lake and Bechtel Park in Waterloo. Other hobbies/interests included gardening, knitting, sewing, woodworking and volunteering with her local church, the Canadian Red Cross, Canadian Cancer Society, the Block Parent Program, and others. Her volunteer work was recognized in 1977 when she was named the Brampton Citizen of the Year. She was also awarded the 1984 Ontario Bicentennial medal presented by then Premier Bill Davis. Heartfelt thanks to the staff at TwinOaks of Maryhill who made sure Mom was safe and cared for over the last three years. As per Connie's wishes cremation has taken place and there will be no formal service. Her family encourages everyone to hold on to your good memories and talk about them before they are gone. Donations in Connie's name to the Alzheimer Society of Canada <https://alzheimer.ca/en> are appreciated, especially since January is Alzheimer's awareness month.

There is a link death cannot sever, love and remembrance last forever.



**WATSON, Michael John**  
September 26, 1946 - January 17, 2022

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of our beloved Michael John Watson. A wonderful man who devoted his life to his love of family, friends and cars. Loving husband of the late Karen Watson for 53 years. Beloved brother to Cathy, Paul and the late Rita. An amazing father to Derek, Lisa (Rick), Terry (Nikki). A proud Papa to Brianna, Vanessa, Brooke, Julian and Lexi. Friends were received at the Jones Funeral Home 11582 Trafalgar Rd. Georgetown, on Wednesday, January 19, from 2-4 and 7-9. A Funeral was held on Thursday, January 20, at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel. *To send expressions of sympathy or to watch Funeral Livestream please visit [www.jonesfuneralhome.co](http://www.jonesfuneralhome.co).*



**BARNSTAPLE, Ethel Jean (Newns)**

Peacefully passed away on Saturday, January 8th in her 100th year. Beloved wife of the late Ernest Barnstaple (1997). Loving mother of William (Lynn) of Wasaga Beach and Ross of Brampton. She will be greatly missed by her grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends. Cremation entrusted to the Scott Funeral Home in Brampton. As per Ethel's wishes there will be no service. In memory of Ethel donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.