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## Dr. Moore killed by lightning

Acton and area people were shocked to learn that Dr. T. B. (Brian) Moore was killed by lightning Tuesday afternoon around 4 p.m. as he and members of his family vacationed at Doe Lake, near Burk's Falls.

A spokesperson for the OPP at Burk's Falls said the Moore family was on the deck of their cottage watching a passing thunderstorm when lightning struck. Another person standing nearby was also struck but not badly hurt.

The Moore family's cottage on Doe Lake is in an area accessible only by boat. A rapid summer storm passed through the area around 4 p.m. as family members gathered on the deck. The Burk's Falls OPP said it took only about 10 minutes for the storm to pass.

The release of Dr. Moore's name was withheld until his family was notified. Familiarly known as "Brian", Dr. Moore was an avid golfer and curler and loved baseball. He has had a full medical practice in Acton since 1962. He would have been 67 years of age in September.

Dr. & Mrs. Moore recently sold their home on Lake Ave. in Acton where they have lived for the past 36 years. They had a new home built in the Arboretum at Guelph where they intended to move this month. He planned to continue practising on a reduced scale from the Acton Medical Centre commuting from Guelph.

News of Dr. Moore's death spread rapidly through Acton and area where he has so many patients and friends. His death leaves only two practising medical doctors in Acton, where there were once eight in two medical centres.

Dr. George McWilliam, his partner at Acton Medical Centre, was devastated by Dr. Moore's death. "He was a great doctor,



FAMILY MAN: Dr. Brian Moore is surrounded by his family in this photo. In back are Mary, Laura, Paul and Susan, while he is flanked by Rebekah and wife Anne.

and a mentor for me," he told The New Tanner. "He was devoted to his family and his practice. He will be greatly missed."

Dr. McWilliam said he would try to get another doctor to come in and help out in Acton but it is a bad time of year to get anyone. Nevertheless, he said, he would be available in cases of emergency to take over from Dr. Moore.

Meanwhile, three new doctors started practising in Guelph this week and calls for Dr. Moore at 853-4449 will be redirected to these Guelph doctors.

Brenda Ramsden, a registered nurse at the Acton Medical Centre, described Dr. Moore as a very compassionate, dedicated person. She has worked with him for 28 years and found him to be very kind and private especially with his family. "His wife and family were his life," Brenda said. "I'm going to miss him very much."

Dr. Moore leaves his wife Anne, son Paul

and daughter Laura Khan, Susan Ventesteren, Mary McIntyre and Rebekah Moore to mourn his loss. Born and raised in Campbellville he went to high school in Milton where he met his wife, Anne. He was a member of Campbellville's championship baseball teams while residing there with his parents, both of whom are deceased.

Dr. Moore opened his practice in Acton in 1962 and has practised and lived here since then. He was an active member of Knox Church, Acton.

Resting at Blue Springs Funeral Home, visitation will be Friday, August 10, 7 to 9 p.m., and Saturday, August 11, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. The funeral service will be held on Sunday, August 12 at 2 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton, and is followed by cremation. For more information, notices will be displayed at Glenlea Drugmart, Acton Post Office, and in the window of Halton Hills Community Support and Information Services on Mill St.