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## Obituary

# Local farmer, agricultural activist dies of stroke at 63

By RICHARD VIVIAN  
*The Champion*

Well-known Milton farmer and agricultural activist Ed Segsworth, 63, passed away Wednesday following complications from a stroke.

"He will certainly be sorely missed," said Harry Brander, friend and fellow member of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA).

"He was very dedicated to the farming community and a well respected person."

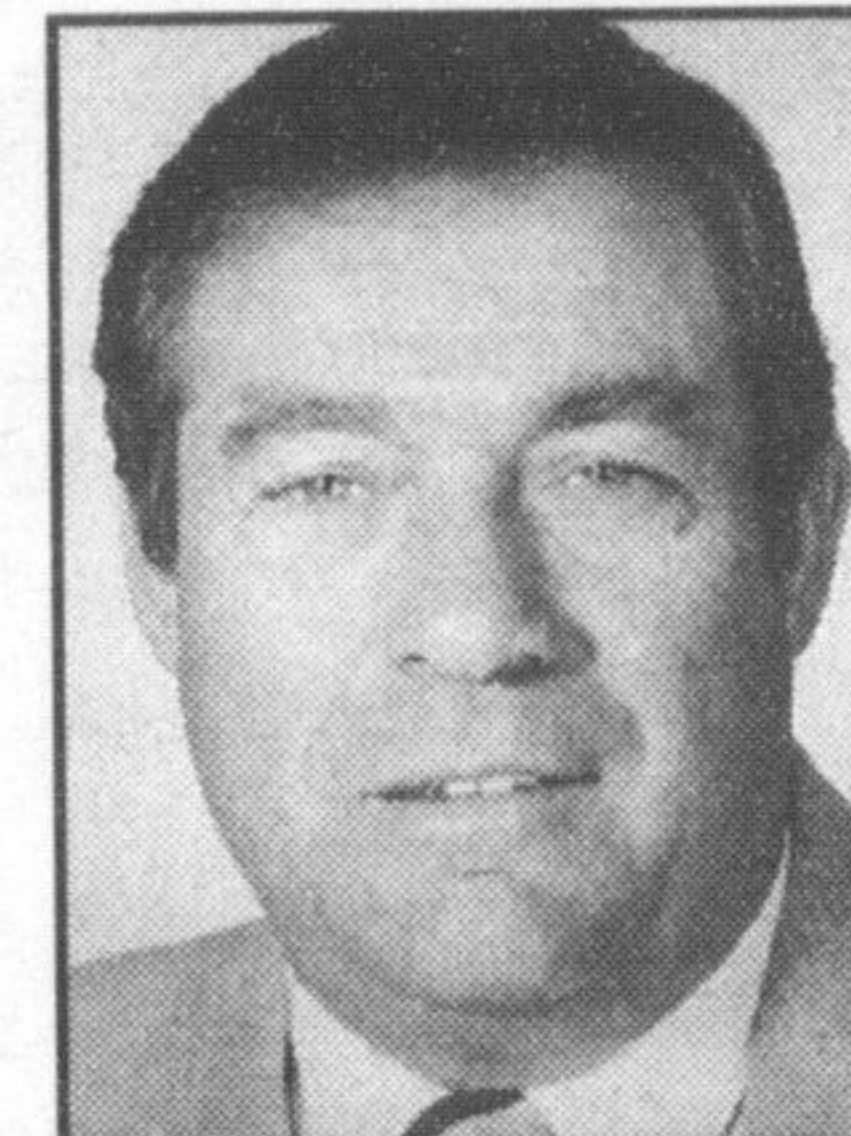
Mr. Segsworth leaves behind wife Dianne and children Tara and

Matthew.

During his agricultural career, Mr. Segsworth was a cash crop farmer, maintaining more than 1,000 acres at one point, Mr. Brander said.

When Mr. Segsworth wasn't farming, he was looking out for the farming community.

In addition to spending more



Ed Segsworth

than 15 years with the OFA, including two years as president, he served on the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, the Halton Soil and Crop Committee, the Halton Agricultural Advisory Committee and more.

"He was a very soft-spoken man, but when he put his point across he was forceful enough," Mr. Brander recalled.

"Ed was a very resourceful person. He was almost like a walking encyclopedia; he was a wealth of information."

The funeral was held Saturday at Lowville United Church.

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Now in its 11th year, the Buy a Bulb for the Hospital campaign is in full swing. With the donation of \$10 to \$49, you can light up a bulb on a special tree outside the hospital. Donors will also receive an acrylic star-shaped ornament.

For a contribution between \$50 and \$149, you can light up a small string of lights on the tree and receive a gold-coloured bell shaped ornament.

Donations of \$150 or more will light up a large string of lights. Contributors in this range will also receive a limited edition ornament. The glass ball ornament depicts the eleven pipers piping from the song

'The Twelve Days of Christmas'. Proceeds will be used to purchase new equipment throughout the hospital.

The second fundraiser will kick off December 1, with the sale of Christmas trees at 6607 First Line (about a kilometre south of the hospital).

Trees cost \$20 and all proceeds go to the MDH Foundation.

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