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Lloyd T. Wilson

He lived by example

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UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge Baptist Church, the place he loved so much and to which he gave so much, was filled to overflowing Thursday as hundreds said their farewells to Lloyd Thornton Wilson, farmer, businessman, auctioneer, teacher, minister, husband, father and friend.

Mr. Wilson, described by David Simmonds, Chairman of the Deacons Board as "a remarkable being," died Oct. 28 in Uxbridge Cottage Hospital following an illness of just over a year.

The Promotion Service, as it was called, had been prepared by Lloyd himself, assisted by wife Ollie and members of his family, Sharon, Graham, Craig, Dawn and Stephanie. Interment was made at the Foster Memorial, not far from his home.

Lloyd Wilson touched many lives in the Uxbridge community and beyond, Mr. Simmonds said. He inspired others far beyond what words can describe.

"His faith shone through in every aspect of his life," Mr. Simmonds continued, "he was a wonderful man of God."

The Deacons Board chairman mentioned Lloyd Wilson's close associations that included love for his family, love for his church, love for his work, love for his

friends and love for his Lord.

Mr. Simmonds told of the last twelve months, from the time of the diagnosis, (Oct. 29, 1984), through to the hour of his passing, (Oct. 28, 1985). It was Lloyd's request that his wife and children should be there. And they responded, sharing Bible readings at his bedside.

Mr. Simmonds described Lloyd as "people oriented." "His life was vital," he said, "he was an encourager, with no time for the negative. He was an inspiration far more than words can tell."

"He watched you grow and lived to enjoy growing with you," said Rev. Dale Shaw, Executive Director, Brethern in Christ Church, Sarasota, Florida, in his charge to the family. "Some of his joys and his goals will continue to be yours."

Rev. Philip Brown, pastor of Uxbridge Baptist Church, opened and concluded the service. Soloist was Kenn Smith, an official of Holstein Canada from Brantford. Beverly Foster and Joan Wide-man presided at the piano and organ.

A cross-section of the community, representing all ages and all walks of life, were in attendance, including several area auctioneers. Monitors were set up outside the sanctuary to accommodate the crowd.



Leave me alone

Sherree McKavanagh, 11, of Rougecrest Dr. in Markham rakes leaves while sister Kerry, 10, at Williams' Armstrong Public School, plays in them. It's no wonder that Kerry thinks

— Sjoerd Witteveen

Regional chairman recovers from palsy

Gary Herrema has rebounded from severe facial paralysis and is ready to seek another three-year term as Durham Region chairman.

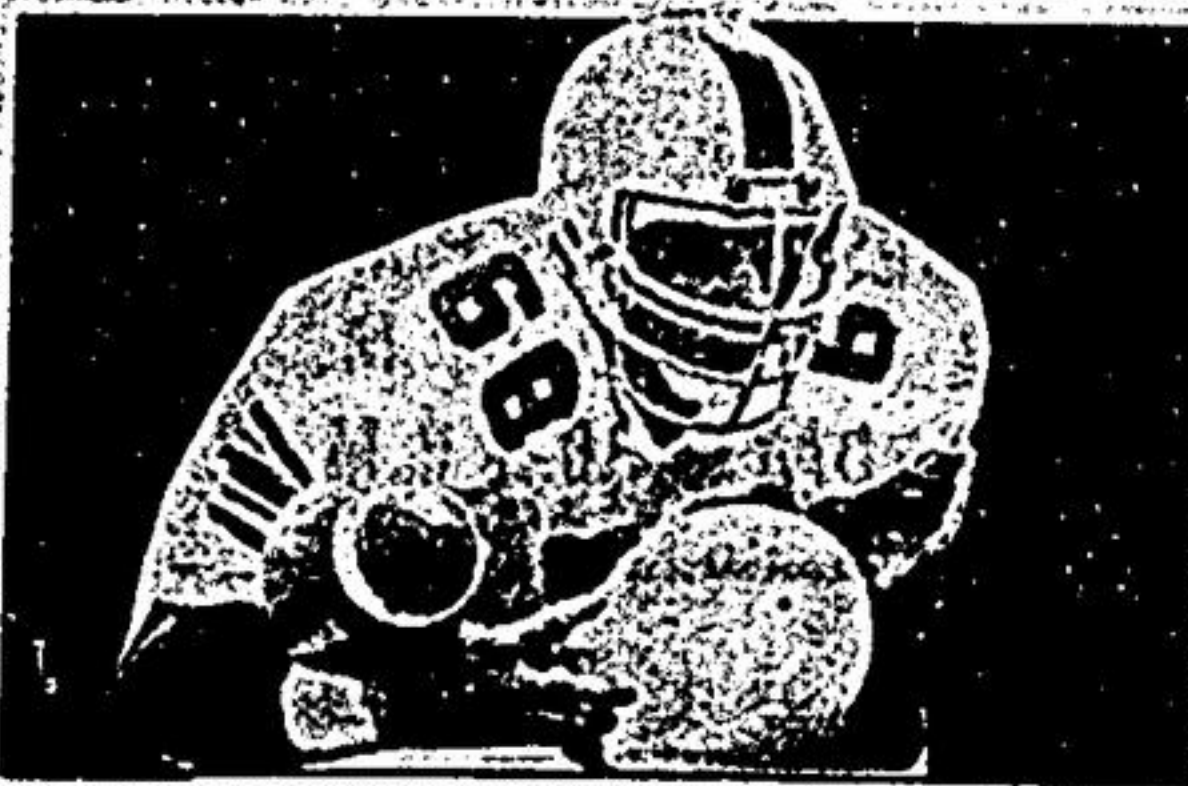
The Uxbridge Township resident said he's made an 80 per cent recovery from a form of palsy that plagued him throughout the summer. His condition has improved to the point where only a slight numbness remains around one side of his mouth.

"I thought about leaving politics because I had paralysis all down the side of my face," Mr. Herrema told The Weekender Wednesday.

He admitted there has been speculation about his appointment as chairman of the Toronto Area Transit Operating Authority, but said he's willing to tackle a third term of regional duties because he enjoys the job.

So far the incumbent stands unopposed for the chairmanship that will be decided at the municipality's inaugural meeting Dec. 4.

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