OBITUARY

Bob Lewis was town councillor, volunteer

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Bob Lewis never stopped giving back to his community, no matter where he lived.

The former Stouffville municipal councillor died Sunday in Orillia. He was 85.

The native of Manitoba had been diagnosed with cancer.

Mr. Lewis lived in Stouffville for more than 50 years and raised his family here. He was a charter member of the Kinsmen Club, served as a councillor for the Village of Stouffville in 1966 and 1967 and was twice a local NDP candidate for the provincial Legislature.

He was also a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force during the Second World War and a 43-year member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Mr. Lewis also volunteered with Music Mania, the Canadian Cancer Society, Boy Scouts and Cubs, the Care & Share Thrift Shop and Christ Church Anglican in Stouffville.

In 2009, Mr. Lewis and his wife, Gunda, moved from the community of Bloomington to Orillia where he became the ReStore committee chairperson for Habitat for Humanity.

A memorial service was held in Orillia yesterday. Inurnment followed at the Stouffville Cemetery columbarium.

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville lowered its flags to half-mast in honour of the former councillor.

Mayor Wayne Emmerson extended heartfelt condolences on behalf of members of council, town staff and residents to the family and friends of Mr. Lewis.

If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

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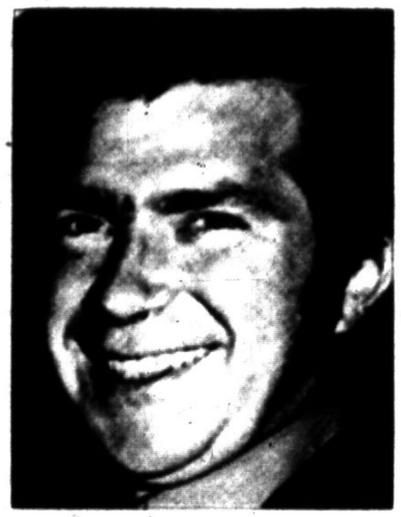

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