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## AFSHAR, Farideh July 12, 1939 - February 3, 2016

It is with deep sadness and regret that we announce the passing of our Mother, Farideh Afshar. She was a pillar in the Markham community as a Directress and Founder of the little red brick schoolhouse at the corner of Main Street, Unionville and Highway #7: The Montessori North School.

She ran the school for thirty-five years.

Fari, as she is affectionately known, was, more than anything else, warm and motherly. Not only to her two children, Minelle and Reza Mahtani, but be-

that to her two brothers, Farokh and Ferooz as well fore as so many of the children at the school.

In fact, in recent years, some of the students she taught in the 1970s had come to her school to enroll their own kids, thus ensuring that Fari was teaching generations of Markham residents. Sadly, she will not have the opportunity to bond further with her grandson, Cole, the son of Minelle and Bruce Baum. Many attested to her loving and mindful nature at her memorial held at the Montessori North School on Friday February 5.

Farideh had a very strong bond with the spiritual. She embraced the goodness from all religions and spiritual philosophies; goodness to her was the sum of all religious philosophies. She constantly sought ways to improve her spiritual being. In her early years, Farideh was often thwarted by the vicissitudes of life: her life took her from Iran to India, Pakistan, Iran again, Britain where she met and married Kishin Mahtani and finally Markham.

Fari leaves behind many people who hold her in high regard and who will always keep her in a warm spot of their hearts. She was unfailingly gracious and it was rare to see her without a smile on her face. Fari took her final breath on the morning of Wednesday the 3rd of February, 2016 at Markham Stouffville Hospital in palliative care, where she received superlative care from the wonderful nurses who treated her with kindness and respect. She will be very missed. With love, her two devoted children. Minelle and Reza Mahtani.



Passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on Sunday, February 14, 2016 at the age of 53.

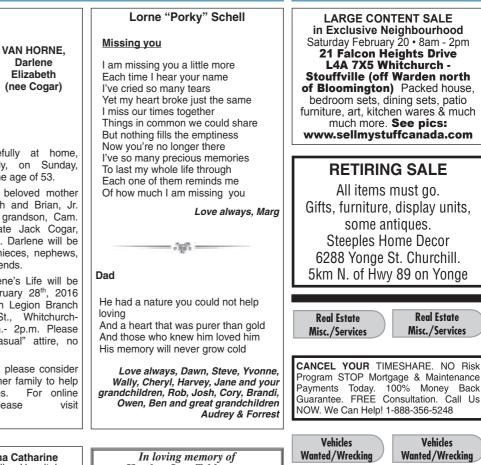
Darlene

Elizabeth

Loving wife of Brian, beloved mother of Holly (Chris), Sarah and Brian, Jr. and "Crazy Nana" of grandson, Cam. Dear sister of the late Jack Cogar, Terry and Dorothy (AI). Darlene will be sadly missed by her nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

A Celebration of Darlene's Life will be held on Sunday, February 28th, 2016 at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 459, 150 Mostar St., Whitchurch-Stouffville from 11a.m.- 2p.m. Please dress in "Darlene Casual" attire, no ties, flip-flops welcome!

In memory of Darlene, please consider a donation directly to her family to help with funeral expenses. For online condolences, please visit www.lowandlow.ca





## HUNTER, Dr. Charles Gilbert

Peacefully at home with his family on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 after a courageous battle with cancer. Gib Hunter in his 83rd year. Dearly Beloved husband for 56 years to Betty Jane. Beloved Father of Rory and his wife Livia, Kim and her husband Mike Newediuk and Kent and his wife Bonnie. Loving Pappa of Cassie, Cal, Bronwen, Harrison, Nicole, Tom, Lara, Henry and Regan. Dear brother of Bill and his wife Nancy and John and his wife Beth. Dear brother-in-law of Harry Rath and his wife Barbara. Uncle of Kingsley, Megan, Scott, Shari, the late Shawn and their families.

Gib graduated from the University of Toronto Dentistry in 1957. He practiced for 43 years; two years in Willowdale, followed by 41 years in Markham. He was later joined by his son Rory in 1986. Gib's greatest love was his family. He received the Gift of Life, a liver transplant in 1994 for a Klatskins tumour. He was blessed by beating all of the odds and living life to the fullest for another 22 years which included downhill and cross-country skiing, tennis, golfing, curling and many trail bike rides. Gib and B.J. enjoyed passing on their passion for family activities to their children and grandchildren. They created a family that loves spending time together.

Resting at the NEWEDIUK FUNERAL HOME, KIPLING CHAPEL, 2058 Kipling Avenue, (North of Rexdale Blvd.), on Saturday, February 20, 2016 from 2pm to 6pm and at FAWCETT FUNERAL HOME, 82 Pine Street, Collingwood, on Sunday February 21, 2016 from 6pm to 9pm. Funeral Service Monday, February 22 2016 from Trinity United Church, 140 Maple Street, Collingwood at 11am Interment Trinity United Cemetery.

Thank you to the UHN Liver transplant team, the Princess Margaret Cancer Care team, Dr. David Lowe, the Community Care and Access Centre and Saint Elizabeth Home Health Care. As expressions of sympathy, donations would be appreciated by the family to the UHN Multi-Organ Transplant Program at Toronto General Hospital. Online condolences at newediukfuneralhome.com.



## **GOLDRING**, Norma Catharine

Markham Stouffville Hospital on Saturday February 13, 2016 in her 85th year. Beloved wife of Tom for 61 years. Dear mother of Wendy, Tracey (Paul Rigon), and Cheryl. Loving grandmother of Shannon, Matthew, Katelyn, Benjamin, Bradley, Lucas and Tommy. Sister of the late Donald Dixon (Gail) and sister in law of Cynthia (late Glenn Napier). She will bé missèd by her nieces, nephews and friends.

Norma was an active volunteer in her church, community, Markhaven and supported her husband Tom in Markham Lions activities.

Friends will be received at St Andrews United Church 32 Main St. North (Markham Rd.) Markham on Wednesday February 17 from 11am until time of Memorial Service in the church at 1pm. In lieu of flowers donations to Lions Clubs Camp Kirk Foundation would be appreciated.

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