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Celebrating a senior • Goodbye Goodwood grow-op • Election reflection



BALLET EN PLEIN AIR - Tiny ballerinas from the Uxbridge Dance Academy show off their newly acquired skills at the Academy's annual dance recital, which was held at the Rotary Bandshell in Elgin Park on the weekend.

Photo by John Cavers

Three candidates out of the gate for upcoming election

by Roger Varley

Two familiar faces will be vying to persuade Pickering-Uxbridge voters to send them to Ottawa in the upcoming federal election, which was announced on Sunday.

Jennifer O'Connell, MP for the riding since 2015, will be seeking to earn a third term as the Liberal candidate. Carrying the banner for the Conservatives is Jacob Mantle of Uxbridge, a former member of Uxbridge council.

The People's Party of Canada will be represented on the hustings by Patricia (Tish) Conlin. So far, neither the NDP nor the Green Party have fielded candidates for the Sept. 20 election.

During her time in Ottawa, O'Connell has served as parliamentary secretary to the minister of finance and currently serves as parliamentary secretary to the minister of health. Prior to going to Ottawa, she served three terms as

Pickering regional councillor on Durham Region council.

O'Connell was scheduled to be in Uxbridge yesterday (Wednesday) for some canvassing, but her office said she has no official events lined up as yet.

Mantle was elected to Uxbridge council in 2010, one of the youngest municipal councillors ever elected in Ontario at the time. After serving one term on council, Mantle went back to school to become a lawyer. He was the first local candidate in the current election to hit the streets, spending Sunday - the day of the announcement - putting up lawn signs in the riding.

Conlin's web sites do not say where she resides. She is reportedly the founder of an employment agency. Her party's leader, Maxime Bernier, spent Tuesday at a number of events in the area, including stops in Oshawa and Port Perry and an "Unmask the Children Rally" in

Etobicoke.

Potential candidates must be registered with Elections Canada by Monday, Aug. 30, and a complete list of confirmed candidates will be available on Wednesday, Sept. 1.

Township clerk Debbie Leroux said she assumes there will be polling stations set up for in-person voting, but as of yet does not know where that will be or what protocols will be in place to accommodate in-person voting.

Canadian citizens who are 18 years of age and older on election day are eligible to vote in the Sept. 20 election. All eligible voters are encouraged to ensure that they are registered with Elections Canada.

According to the Elections Canada website (elections.ca), advance polls will be open from Sept. 10-13. Addresses and times for these advance polling stations will be available on the voter information card.

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Council & Committee Meetings

Meeting Schedule for August, 2021

Thursday, August 26

TRAILS COMMITTEE, 9:00 a.m.

Proclamations for the Month of August

Saturday, August 21, 2021

Flight of the Monarch Day

2020 Consolidated Financial Statements

The 2020 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of The Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge have been approved by Council and are now available to the public on the Township's website,

www.uxbridge.ca/en/your-local-government/financial-statements.aspx?_mid_=23667 A copy of the 2020 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Township of Uxbridge are available for pick up (at no cost) upon request, at the Tax Department in the Municipal Building, located at 51 Toronto St., South in the Township of Uxbridge.

Closures

- Lane restrictions on Brock Street East from Nelkydd Lane to Regional Highway 47 will be in effect until the end of August 2021 as the Region installs underground services.
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FURTHER, NOTICE is hereby given that the Township Council at its regular meeting held on August 9th, 2021, declared by Resolution No. 2021-09 the aforementioned lands to be surplus to the needs of the municipality. A copy of the plan showing the location of the lands may be viewed in the Office of the Clerk. Township File: L06- PS108
Debbie Leroux, Clerk

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U21-26 Uxbridge Seniors Centre Washroom Upgrades
Closes August 27 at 2:00 p.m.

All bids must be received by the Township by the deadline stated, either electronically via the Township's website or in-person (by appointment only) at the Township Office located at 51 Toronto St. South. Public tender openings are not happening currently however bid results will be posted at uxbridge.ca/bids_and_tenders in a timely manner.

Uxbridge at a Glance

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Labels and age don't hold back this busy town 'elder'

by Lisha Van Nieuwenhove

"Oh, I hate that word. I hate it with a passion. I had to be 83 before I would even think about joining the Seniors Centre!"

The word that Bob Kirvan hates so much is 'senior'. So he has somewhat mixed feelings at having just received the province's Senior of the Year Award from the Township of Uxbridge.

Mayor Dave Barton and Councillor Bruce Garrod presented the 86-year old Kirvan with the award last Wednesday, for his "outstanding contributions to [his] community after age 65."

"At 55 you're considered a senior, and that's not right, that's way too young!" exclaims Kirvan. "To a lot of Baby Boomers it's the worst word in their vocabulary!"

The word is just a label to Kirvan, who is likely one of the most active and involved 'seniors' in Uxbridge. He's a member of the Township's Age-Friendly Advisory Committee, and he's on the board at Trinity Manor, where he lives. He's also on the board for the Uxbridge-Scott Historical Society (USHS), and through it, manages the Horseshoe Club, which meets weekly at the mu-

seum grounds for games and competitions. He has helped Conservative politicians with their campaigns, from Bev Oda to John O'Toole and his son Erin. His salesman expertise (pre-retirement he was a vice president director for Wood Gundy) made him a top fundraiser for the Sam Sharpe memorial statue in town, and he's now helping the Uxbridge Firefighter's Association raise money for their memorial. In his spare time, he helps the Lucy Maud Montgomery Society with its gardens in Leaskdale.

Said Garrod in his nomination letter: "Bob selflessly supports Uxbridge with his seemingly endless energy. His contribution to Uxbridge can't be overstated. He is a true asset to

our community and a worthy recip-

ient of Senior or the Year."

Kirvan says that helping people and being involved is "just a part of me"

and credits both his parents and grandparents for showing him compassion for others.



Bob Kirvan receives the Ontario Senior of the Year Award from the Township of Uxbridge.

Photo from Bruce Garrod's Facebook page

Illegal grow-op raided in Goodwood

by Roger Varley

Durham Regional Police have laid charges against four people, including an Uxbridge resident, after raiding an illegal cannabis grow operation in Goodwood two weeks ago.

Police said the operators of the site, located on Highway 47, had a licence to grow 463 cannabis plants indoors. Police said they executed a search warrant and found eight temporary greenhouses on the property, with plants growing both indoors and outdoors. Police removed more than 2,000 cannabis plants and more than 1,000 pounds of dried cannabis, some of which was packaged in vacuum-sealed bags and ready for distribution.

In addition to the grow-op, police found a number of dogs and puppies living in unsuitable conditions and called in animal welfare services.

Among those charged with unauthorized cannabis production was Hoan Tu, 43, of Uxbridge. Two others are from Markham and the fourth is from Vancouver. All were arrested at the scene.

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Our two cents

Just not what we need right now

Less than two years since the last federal election, Canadians are being asked to go to the polls again.

We feel compelled to ask "why?"

The Liberals, under Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, are obviously looking to move from being a minority government to having a majority of Parliamentary seats. In our humble opinion, when the dust has settled, the country will likely still have a minority government and all the time, money and energy expended on electioneering could have been better spent dealing with the myriad and complex issues that face us today and will still face us after the election is over.

To state the obvious, the nation will still be battling the COVID-19 pandemic, conditions brought on by climate change will continue to ravage large areas of the country, the housing crisis will remain with us, relations with China will not have improved, and on and on.

However, given the divide not only between the political parties but amongst Canadians in general, it is unlikely any one party will have the answers Canadians are looking for. COVID-19 vaccinations? The Liberals want them to be mandatory for certain sectors, the Conservatives want people to have freedom of choice. The climate? The Liberals keep pushing a carbon tax that has many people balking, the Conservatives won't even acknowledge climate change is a problem. China? The Liberals tread lightly for fear of upsetting Beijing, the Conservatives want to get tough. The Liberals cozy up to Quebec on that province's Charter-unfriendly attack on religious freedom, the Conservatives cozy up to Alberta and its claims that it is being treated unfairly by Ottawa.

How either of these parties can imagine they will win a majority of seats is beyond comprehension.

As for the other parties -- ho hum. The NDP took a shellacking the last time around, gaining fewer Parliamentary seats than the Bloc Quebecois, a party that doesn't bother to run candidates outside Quebec. The Green Party, never really a viable option even under Elizabeth May, will be lucky to get one seat this time around given its current state of disarray under a new leader who will be spending most of her time trying to get herself elected. The People's Party, led by an anti-vaccine, anti-mask political washout, is also a pretty non-viable contender.

As is usual in Canadian elections, the results of the current campaign will come down to which leader is best liked by the voters. Justin Trudeau has irked many people with the various scandals that have plagued his party the last two years: the WE debacle, the unseemly departure of a governor-general, the inability of the Canadian forces to get their house in order, the weak-kneed response to China. Erin O'Toole has failed to rally the Conservatives around him and alienates many with his aforementioned pandering to Alberta, a stronghold of the anti-vaxxers, while seemingly ignoring his home province of Ontario.

Voters likely will have a number of questions for the candidates in the coming month. We think the biggest one will be "why?"

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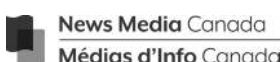
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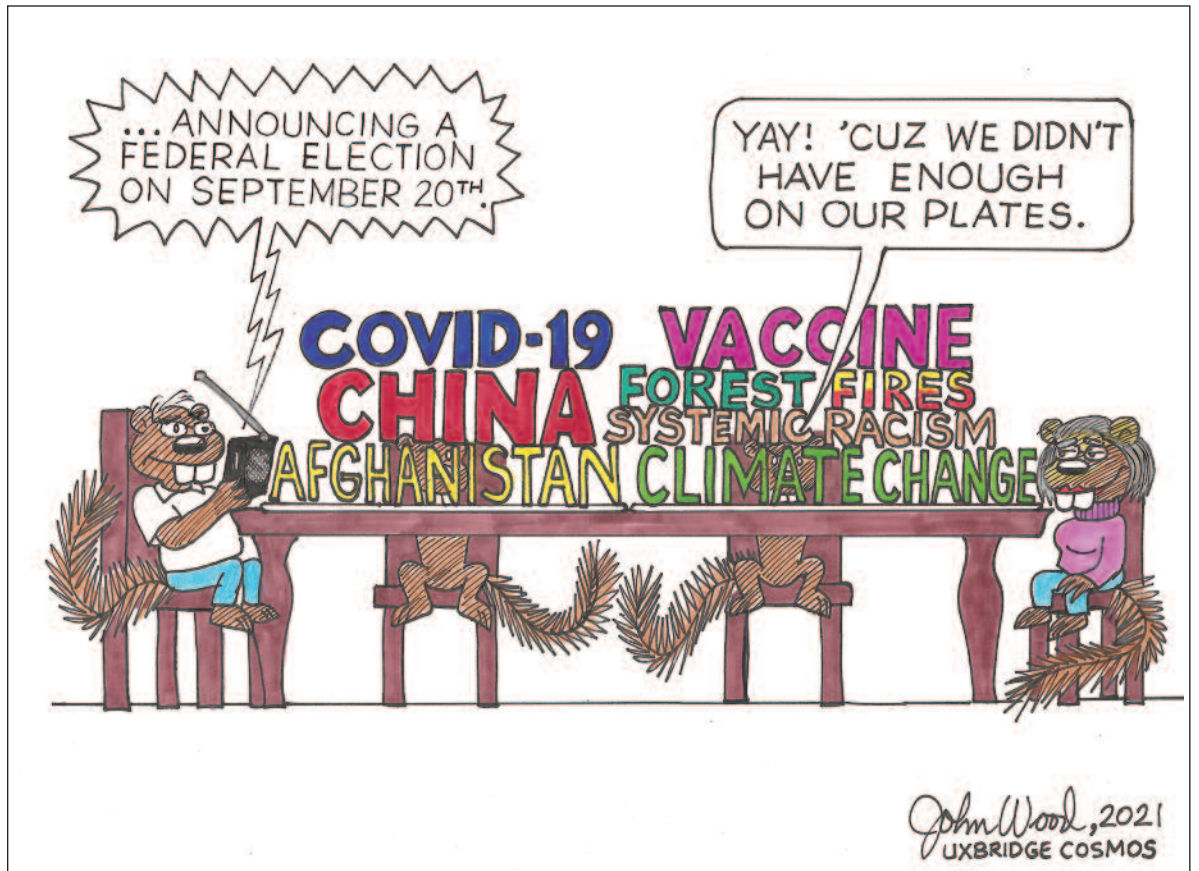
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Letters to the Editor

I am new at this. I have started a new part of my life. I don't want to. I have to.

You see, my husband of close to 50 years died August 6 at Uxbridge Cottage Hospital. That means that I am now a widow. Something I never really gave much thought to being.

So – from the hole in my heart, I would like to send some messages to those who will at some point lose someone they love more than YOU could think possible:

1. Tell someone you love them every chance you get.

2. Distribute hugs and praise freely and generously.

3. Tell people they are important to you and (if you can) tell them why.

4. Appreciate your family for who they are – not maybe what you wanted them to be.

5. Reach out to folks who are also in trouble, fear or sorrow and might need a "random act of kindness."

The list could go on and on. In a wonderful and caring town such as Uxbridge (and I include here my great friends in Goodwood)

we have an opportunity to pull together in these tough times of COVID. We have all lost someone or something – if even because we cannot reach out to them as yet.

BUT – thank you to all of you who have reached out to me in the past weeks while Burt was in hospital and the long days since he has died. Thank you especially to our wonderful doctors and nurses who gave such caring and personal attention to Burt (and to me).

Life will continue. I am glad that I followed my own advice above. He knew he was loved and needed and we all should know the same about ourselves.

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Ann Belanger
Goodwood

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A Blonde Moment

column by Lisha Van Nieuwenhove

Throw away the crap (properly)

I like to take a morning constitutional as often as possible. And although I'm a look-at-the-ground-as-I-walk person (an unfortunate incident when I was young that involved bare feet and a hole full of snakes cured me of ever looking up again), I do take in my surroundings. My walks are very pleasant, as I live on a sideroad, surrounded by trees, farm fields and lots of space. Yet it never, ever fails. On each and every walk, I find assorted rubbish on the side of the road. Tim Hortons cups. Full sized rubbish bags. Beer cans and bottles.

Beer cans and bottles. That one stuns me, and I could go off on that topic, but that's not my focus here today. Instead, I'm marvelling over what we choose to throw away, and what we *should* throw away.

Just Tuesday morning, driving into the *Cosmos* office, I spied a stretch of Reach St. that had four Tims cups lying on the shoulder. In this day and age, in 2021, people still think that this is ok? I cannot fathom the dearth of brain cells that must exist in a skull for the action of "I'm done my coffee, now, think I'll toss the cup out my car window, rather than hang on to it until my next stop when I can put it in the rubbish" to be approved and executed.

Last week's "Our two cents" concerned the recent United Nations's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), and its dire warnings about the state of our poor planet Earth. I was almost immobilized by what I heard, what I learned, what the report said. And I don't mean what I heard or learned from the media - I read several sections of the actual report. It was scarier than a Stephen King novel. I actually apologized to my children for the future they're heading into, and as much as I may want to be a nana someday, I seriously cautioned them about making me one, because not only are they all way too young (as am I, of course), but the world is just not fit to pass along!

Yet we keep throwing things out of car windows into ditches, and not washing our recyclables properly, and not doing all we can to part with what we consider disposable. And our very lives depend on it.

I do have a suggestion for what we could all throw away, however. I'm going to use the blanket term of "social media" because it's understandable, and then I'm going to offer caveats. Caveats because if I didn't, I'd be a Class A Hypocrite. I have Facebook, I have Instagram, I even have Twitter (but I'm never

on it). I use them primarily for my work - not gonna lie, Facebook is a great place to find out what's going on, and every now and again I get a neat story idea from it. I also like seeing others stories, catching up on what's happening, sharing something of my own every now and again. My life does not, however, hinge on its existence.

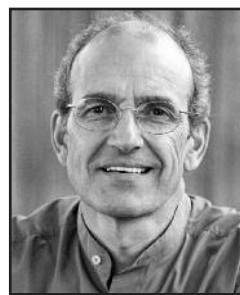
Earlier this week, while listening to the radio, I heard a piece about how Lizzo, a very popular singer/songwriter/rapper, had an emotional breakdown on Instagram on the weekend.

"On the days when I should feel the happiest, it just ... I feel so down," she said. "Sometimes I feel like the world just don't love me back (*sic*). It's like it doesn't matter how much positive energy you put into the world, you're still gonna have people who have something mean to say about you."

Lizzo is known for her positive body image and saucy girl-power lyrics, so to have her break down like this is a little unnerving. We have a suggestion for her - throw out Instagram. Sure, it's a way to reach your fans, promote yourself and your music, but is all that really worth damaging your mental health over? I think not.

The haters are gonna hate, and looking at anything on any social platform exposes you to the potential to be hated on at all times of the day and night. Who needs that crap in their life? Self-help coaches/gurus like to tell us to "get rid of whatever doesn't serve you." Is Facebook and its constant barrage of "you're a jerk", "you're so judgemental", "you're so stupid" really serving you, or Lizzo, or any other person? Nope. And, unlike a spent Tim Hortons cup, you can't take what you've read and unread it, or throw it out the window and forget about it. We humans have a nasty tendency to glom onto the bad stuff and forget about whatever good stuff may have come our way. Social media force-feeds us bad stuff.

I know I'm talking a pipe dream. I don't think that "socials" are going away any time soon. And I dread the thought of any more popping up. They're here, and likely to stay. We can't necessarily control that. What we can control is how we use them. We hold the power to take in whatever good may be gleaned, and throw away what we consider rubbish. Just like we have the power to throw our take out food rubbish away properly. No one needs crap in their life.



The Barris Beat

column by Ted Barris

She-covery and She-lection

Some months ago, I met a friend by accident. We stopped, distanced, masked and got caught up. We talked about vaccination, isolation and the state of the nation, all in one meeting. I was surprised, however, when the subject of the CERB (the Canada Emergency Response Benefit) came up, that my friend thought federal spending of that magnitude ran the real risk that everyday citizens would abuse it.

"There's too much cheating," my friend said. "Too much money squandered."

I acknowledged that, yes, there were Canadians who've fraudulently applied for, received and spent money they weren't entitled to. I didn't know it at the time, but when I checked later I discovered that Karen Hogan, Canada's auditor general revealed (in March 2021) that as many as 30,000 fraudulent payments had gone out the door. The loss was in the tens of millions of dollars. But during that conversation with my friend, I raised what I thought was an even more menacing statistic.

"Did you know that nearly half a million women in Canada have lost their jobs because of the pandemic?" I'd read a Royal Bank of Canada report from late winter. The RBC report went on to say 200,000 women in Canada had now become long-term unemployed; another 100,000 (over the age of 20) had left the workforce permanently. I pointed out to my friend that, for a variety of reasons, the pandemic had driven both my daughters from their chosen and productive careers. Each found herself attending three children - sometimes at school, mostly not - and each found it desperately difficult to manage everybody's equilibrium, including her own.

In the same month of the RBC report, the federal government launched a task force to study women in the economy. Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland and Associate Minister of Finance Mona Fortier are its co-chairs. At the outset, the task force noted that during the first year of the pandemic, 80,000 women left the workforce, as compared to 25,000 men. Additionally, its panel of experts has recognized because women more often work in retail, tourism and hospitality, that the vulnerability of those work sectors to the pandemic has led to greater job loss among women. And because balancing work and parenting - during COVID - has fallen mostly to women, they've been disproportionately affected... disproportionately thrown out of work and out of sight.

Economist Armine Yalnizyan probably states

the case for childcare best: "There will be no recovery without a she-covery, and no she-covery without childcare."

So, as of Monday, the nation faces a general election. And some of those in the same boat as my friend are already decrying the expenditure of public funds to underwrite a campaign after only two years since the last election. But I believe it's necessary, if only to help as many of those half a million women find meaningful work or to right their upside-down careers. We've learned in this first week of the election campaign, that the first step on that road back is childcare. In other words, Canada needs to free the principal homemakers of that 24/7 occupation to allow them to work to support their families away from home, cultivate their chosen occupations, and in turn grow the national economy like everybody else.

Erin O'Toole, the Conservative leader, believes that Canadian families themselves should be given the choice for where and how their children are cared for. He'd replace the current child-care expense tax deduction, with a tax credit; that credit would cover as much as three-quarters of a family's child-care costs - or approximately \$6,000 for families earning less than \$150,000. Justin Trudeau, the Liberal leader, had previously announced his party would spend \$30 billion over the next five years to cut child-care costs to an average of \$10 a day across the country; and as of today, six provinces have agreed to partner with Ottawa (Ontario and Alberta have not, while Manitoba is considering, and Quebec already has its own). For the record, the NDP (particularly during this minority government) has called on the prime minister to allocate \$20 billion to make universal childcare a reality.

"Parents can't go back to work until they have a safe place to send their kids," says Jagmeet Singh, leader of the NDP. "Since women make up about half of Canada's workforce, economic recovery is mathematically impossible without women going back to work."

Judge for yourself which party's plan makes the most sense. But before you vote, look at the mothers, wives, sisters and daughters in your life. If you want their futures to be truly of their own choosing, consider childcare as perhaps a woman's most vital step to success, rewarding work and citizen fulfillment. I know I will.

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may do so directly at an Elections Canada office. Every riding has one; the location for Pickering-Uxbridge

had not been released at press time. Mail-in ballots will also be available, but voters must complete a special

ballot application to receive the ballot voting kit. The completed kit must be either mailed back to Elections Canada, or dropped off at any assigned polling station in the voter's riding. These kits must be returned

to Elections Canada by election day at 6 p.m. E.T., or it won't be counted. More election information, including voter registration, is available at elections.ca

Doris Ethel Maud Clarke (née Grant)

March 7, 1919 ~ August 13, 2021

Doris passed peacefully in her sleep on August 13, 2021, at the grand age of 102 at Lakeview Manor, Beaverton. Loving wife of the late Edwin Horace George Clarke (1917 – 1983), was predeceased by her 12 siblings. She was the loving and devoted mother of daughter Heather and son-in-law Glynn.

Doris will be greatly missed by her many family members, including Bryan & George Grant, John White, Sarah Benney, Jennifer Bayntun, and many other great-nieces and nephews, great-great-nieces and nephews, great-great-great-nieces and nephews, cousins and friends here in Canada and England.

Doris was the youngest child born to Clara and William Omar Grant of Hellingly, East Sussex, England. During WWII, Doris served in the Women's Land Army in East Sussex and was also a member of the Red Cross.

Doris married Eddy in 1954 in London, England. They lived in Brighton for three years before emigrating to Toronto. A few years later they moved to Brampton with their daughter. Doris lived there until 2017, when she moved to Uxbridge to be with her daughter and son-in-law.



After her retirement from Food City (Oshawa Group), Doris continued to live a full life, volunteering with numerous organizations including the Perpetual Bazaar, Brampton Fall Fair and horticultural clubs, to name a few. In 2017, she received the 30-year Ontario Volunteer Service Award.

She enjoyed travelling. Some of her trips included Hawaii, Barbados, Europe, Alaska, although she especially enjoyed returning to England to visit family and friends. Doris also spent many summers at their trailer in Bayfort Camp, Midland. Some of the people she and Eddy met became lifelong friends. Doris was also passionate about her garden where she loved to spend hours putting until well into her 90s. An inquisitive person by nature, she always wanted to be included in whatever activities were going on around her. Never a person to sit still and certainly would not allow age to influence her life.

A private service to celebrate Doris will be held on Friday, August 20, at Low and Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street South, Box 388, Uxbridge L9P 1M8 (905-852-3073). For those who wish, a memorial donation may be made in Doris's name to The Uxbridge Cottage Hospital, Ontario Humane Society, Brampton Horticultural Society or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences can be made at www.lowandlow.ca

Gordon Harrison

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Gordon Harrison on August 12, 2021, at the grand age of 95.


Gordon will be deeply missed by his wife Mary, who together just celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Brian (Marilyn), June (Roger) and Blair (Irene) were very lucky to call Gordon their dad. Gordon was a special grandpa to Melissa (Cam), Lisa (Mike), Lauren (Stephen), and Brooke (David), and a great-grandpa to Sloane, Ella and Myles. Predeceased by siblings Lloyd, Berniece, Verna and sister-in-law Doreen. Survived by brother-in-law Jack.


Gordon was proud of his farming roots, as well as his enriching volunteer career with Community Care that lasted into his 92nd year. Gordon was always ready for a game of euchre and loved to dance and travel. For years, special memories were made hosting family and friends at the cottage.

Thank you, Dr. Wilson, for all you have done, and thank you Oak Ridges Hospice for the loving care you provided these past two months.

If you wish, the family would appreciate memorial donations to Oak Ridges Hospice in Port Perry or St. Andrew's-Chalmers Presbyterian Church in Uxbridge.

Visitation will take place Tuesday, August 17, 2021, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Low and Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street South, Box 388, Uxbridge (905-852-3073). The family will be holding a private service. Online condolences can be made at www.lowandlow.ca





In Memoriam

Williams, Margaret Mary née O'Neill

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The best memory I could have.

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