

In Memoriam

JIM DAVID TURNBULL 1917 — 2006

By Rod Shepherd, Oakville Chapter member

Jim Turnbull passed away suddenly on December 12, 2006 at the Georgetown Hospital in his 90th year. He is survived by his wife, **Edna**, and five children, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Jim was a longtime member of AA for 47 years. He also was an active member of many service clubs in the Georgetown area.

A Barbershopper for over 41 years, **Jim** was a founding member of the *Georgetown Chapter* of SPEBSQSA. He later joined the *Brampton Chapter* when the Georgetown Chapter folded. Upon the demise of the Brampton Chapter, Jim joined the *Oakville Chapter* where he was a member for over 30 years. He only recently retired due to failing health, sight problems and the difficulty in driving from Georgetown to Oakville, especially at night.

He will be long remembered for his recitation voice-over to "Old Wedding Ring" which he dedicated to his wife, **Edna**, at every possible opportunity.

His friendly smile and resounding bass voice will be missed by all who knew him. ❁

ERNEST "ERNIE" HEATH 1930 — 2006

A beloved member of the *Scarborough Chapter Dukes of Harmony*, the *Suburbanaires* and *Harmony Ranch*, **Ernie Heath** passed away after a short illness on November 27, 2006. A memorial service was held for Ernie on December 9 in Scarborough.

The *Suburbanaires* sang "In The Garden" and all Barbershoppers present, under the direction of **Ray Danley**, sang "I Believe," "23rd Psalm" and "From the First Hello to the Last Good-bye." ❁

HUGO DEWINTER 1939 — 2006

By Waldo Redekop

Hugo DeWinter passed away after a lengthy illness, at K-W Health Centre of Grand River Hospital, on December 21, 2006, at the age of 67 years.

Many of the longtime members of the district will remember **Hugo DeWinter**, a former member of the *Guelph Chapter* and their director for 25 years. The family requested that the Barbershoppers sing one of Hugo's favourite songs, "I Believe" at the funeral. A number of Barbershoppers joined the *Guelph Chapter Royal City Ambassadors* in paying tribute to Hugo, a longtime Barbershopper.

Hugo was predeceased by his wife **Janice** (Knowles). ❁

HAROLD CLARK 1912 — 2006

By Bill White and Shaun Carey

Harold Clark passed away peacefully at the Southlake Nursing Home, Newmarket, on December 22, 2006. Harold was a founding member of the *Thornhill Chapter*. His career in barbershopping, participating in a number of great entertaining quartets, culminating in the *Markham Chapter*, and the *Suburbanaires* senior barbershop chorus.

Beginning as a choir boy, Harold loved music. Singing was a passion throughout his entire life. The team of **Harold** the soloist and *Mr. Piano Man* **Bill O'Hara** were a formidable entertaining duo. Harold and his wife Mary, who predeceased him in 2000, were cottage residents at *Harmony Ranch*, Baldwin.

As a member of the RCAF, he taught ground school for pilots during World War Two. He had the uncanny gift of humour, always had a joke on his lips, and his expertise in delivering one-liners was reflected in the twinkle of his eyes. His winning smile, personable demeanor, welcoming heart and friendship toward others knew no bounds.

In addition to his countless friends, Harold leaves his son **Brian** and wife Dianne of Mahwah, New Jersey, and extended families in Canada and the United States. It is worth noting that Harold's son Brian was an heroic survivor of the 9/11 World Trade Centre tragedy, a fact of which Harold was very proud. Harold's barbershop friends extend their sincere condolences.

A celebration of the life of **Harold Clark** took place at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill on December 29, 2006. The ceremony was conducted by the *Rev. Canon Greg Physic*, rector, assisted by *Rev. Don Downer*, associate priest. The *Suburbanaires* sang and **Bill White** and **Shaun Carey** presented appropriate eulogies. ❁

BOB SOLLEY 1920 — 2006

By Max Woudstra, Scarborough Chapter secretary

Bob Solley, a long time member of the Dukes, passed away on New years Eve, at age 86. Bob had been ill for some time, but about four weeks ago he had a stroke from which he did not recover. Bob was cremated. There wasn't a memorial service.

Ron Solley, Bob's son, and family will be having a reception at his home, on both Saturday and Sunday, from 3 - 8 p.m.. Saturday mostly for family members and close friends. Sunday mostly for Barbershoppers. I talked with **Don** (Bob's brother) and suggested the Sunday visitation because many of us will be at COTS. ❁