



Edmund Vernard Ralph

April 12, 2020

Ralph, Edmund Vernard, age 92 - It is with great sadness that our family announce the passing of Ed on April 12, 2020. Born on July 11, 1927 in Toronto to Margaret (nee McIntyre) and Edmund R. Ralph.

Loved and cherished by his wife of 68 years, Phyllis Ralph (nee Newell), and by his children David Ralph (Kim), Corinne Grant (David) and Warren Ralph (Rita).

Proud Grandfather of Jennifer (Stuart), Jeffrey (Claire), Amanda (Handelle), Michael, Douglas, Derek (Angela) and Craig (Kristi), and Great-Grampa to Laila, Karyan, Carter, and Hunter.

Predeceased by his brothers Bruce and Bob Ralph.

Ed had a large extended family and many friends who always enjoyed his infectious laugh and conversations, both serious and not serious.

Graduated with a BA from the University of Toronto and received his Masters of Social Work from the University of British Columbia. An enthusiastic Social Worker for both the Children's Aid Society and the Ontario Government.

His greatest joy in his life was spending time with his family and friends. Ed enjoyed camping and boating, as can be attested to by his children who spent many summers on road trips around Canada and the United States. Ed and Phyllis also enjoyed travelling to all corners of the world. Residing most of the time in Don Mills where they were active members of the Church of the Ascension.

Ed was a proud Mason and a Past District Deputy Grand Master of Toronto District 5, a member of the Ashlar/ St. Clair Lodge No. 247 and a Life Member and Past Master of The Heritage Lodge No. 730. Ed was a very strong supporter of the Black Creek Lodge project and was instrumental in the promotion of the Liaskis painting of the building, copies of

which grace many Lodge buildings.

The family would like to extend their sincerest gratitude to everyone at V!VA Mississauga Retirement Community, LHIN, CarePartners and Credit Valley Hospital for their outstanding care and support.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date so that the family and many friends can share their memories of Ed.

Donations can be made in Ed's memory to the Canadian Cancer Society

<https://www.cancer.ca/en/donate/?region=on> or the Community Share Food Bank at the Church of the Ascension <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-community-share-food-bank-inc/>

Comments



“ We are truly sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Thinking of you, sending our love and sympathy at this difficult time. Nothing can ever take away a love a heart holds dear.

Dalton & Cathy McGugan

Dalton & Cathy McGugan - April 19, 2020 at 10:11 AM



“ I knew Ed through his wife, Phyllis, as we both worked at Branksome Hall. Ed was always very gracious and told me a lovely story about his unmarried Aunt Ruby. She was often asked about being single and her response was - I am an "unclaimed treasure". All through my adult life, I am single, I was asked the same question and because of Ed telling me the story of his Aunt, I always gave the same answer - I am an "unclaimed treasure". Thank you, Ed.

Shirley Duperley

Shirley Duperley - April 17, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ My condolences to the family. I visited Ed and his wife years ago when I had a work assignment in Toronto, and we had an enjoyable visit. Ed and my mother, Jessie McIntyre, kept in touch on a regular basis. My mother died in September 2019.
Sincerely,
Cathie McIntyre
Daughter of Donald and Jessie McIntyre
(Donald was the son of Kenneth A. McIntyre.)

Cathie McIntyre - April 17, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ We feel so blessed to have connected with Ed these last few years. We enjoyed phone conversations every few months discussing family history as he and my mother were second cousins. My husband and I were delighted to visit him and Phyllis last fall. Such a warm welcome! My sympathies to his family.

Joan Battey

joan - April 17, 2020 at 09:33 AM



“ I have so many wonderful memories of Uncle Ed. He always had time to talk and conversations were easy. I will miss his laugh and quick wit. Thinking of my Aunt Phyllis, cousins and all who loved him.

Sarah Drynan - April 17, 2020 at 08:43 AM



“ Sending our prayers and virtual hugs to everyone. Uncle Ed was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather and we wish we could be with you all right now. He will be missed at our family gatherings. Take care during this time. Love Susan, Courtenay, Maya, Emily and Tyson.

Susan Moulton - April 17, 2020 at 08:35 AM



“ RW Bro.Ed Ralph is my sponsor and mentor in masonry , he is a very kind man he is like a father and a brother to me .I visited him and sister Phyllis several times had lunch when he is leaving in Don Mills .and also here at retirement home .I will miss him dearly and specially with that wonderful smile and giggles. RIP Bro Ed I love You
WB Larci Bautista
Kingsway Lodge 655

Larci Bautista - April 16, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Ed's passing. Phyllis and Ed were so good to Nancy during her visits to Toronto to care for her mom when she was in the nursing home. They always welcomed her into their home and was a great comfort to her during these visits.
Svein Carlsen

Svein Carlsen - April 16, 2020 at 01:23 PM



“ Ed was an inspiration to me when he was DDGM for District #5 and in later years. I had the pleasure of contacting Ed a number of years back approx. 7 yrs when my wife Joan and I visited Bostom Scottish Rite and had the pleasure of meeting the librarian who asked if I knew Ed? (What a small world). She had fond memories of Ed's dedication to Masonry and history when he visited with a contingent of Mason and asked if I would get in touch and pass on her regards. Ed was always a gentleman and a great asset to masonry.

Respectfully

Wor. Bro. Charles Bruce Stewart, 33 degree PMWS Scottish Rite

King Solomon's Lodge #22, Harmony Lodge #438 & Zetland Wilson Lodge

Bruce Stewart - April 16, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ A wonderful Man.. treated me like a 3rd Son!... I will always remember the great fun and joy he provided us teenagers in Don Mills - John King

John King - April 16, 2020 at 08:20 AM



“ Tony Olbrecht lit a candle in memory of Edmund Vernard Ralph



Tony Olbrecht - April 15, 2020 at 06:43 PM