



Harold Edwin Denison File

May 30, 2020

It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of Dr. Harold Edwin Denison File. He passed away peacefully on May 30th, 2020, in his 77th year. Denis will be sadly missed by his children Beth (Jim), Casey (Lisa), Laura (Chase). Proud grandfather to Cierra, Paige, Lachlan, Robyn, Isla and Spencer. Survived by his sister Betty Jean Farran. Denis was a retired Optometrist with prominent practices in both Yorkville and Hamilton for over 40 years. Denis spent all his downtime at his cottage on Beaver Lake. This is where he shared his love for the outdoors, hunting and fishing, with his family and friends. More recently he could be found sitting on the deck overlooking the lake. He lived life to the fullest and on his terms.

A celebration of life will be announced at a future date. Donations are not required, however, Denis supported Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters and the Canadian institute for the blind.

Comments



“ In Memory of Denis File

My first introduction to Denis was in fall of 1964 when we all registered for our initial week at the College of Optometry of Ontario in Toronto.

Den was a resident of Toronto area. Thus, he generously offered to drive myself and other out-of-province first year colleagues to the medical office of one of our future lecturers, Dr. Sparks. We were scheduled with Dr. Sparks for medical examinations. Being quite young at that time, and knowing little-to-nothing about Toronto, I have always been thankful to Den for that gesture and the start of very long friendship. When I think of Denis, this is the very first memory that comes to mind! Thank you Den!

In those optometry school years, our class was grouped alphabetically for labs and other class and clinical activities. As it happened the “Ferguson, File, Gaboury, Gibson and Grant” grouping fit together very well and formed a friendship that has lasted the years.

Den made many trips to Saskatchewan for hunting – in which my husband and he got to know each other. Over the years, that tradition switched to Victoria fishing trips when we had moved to Vancouver Island. Some years later, the fishing tradition continued in the province of Guanacaste, Costa Rica where we had built a winter cabin. Lots and lots of great times with that crazy, loveable guy!

Both Denis (Madson) and I will miss you. R.I.P. Denis.

Diane (Gibson) Madson
Denis Madson

Diane Madson - June 04 at 11:22 PM



“ I knew the File family when we lived beside them on Aintree Ct. I babysat Beth, Casey and Laura. Denis was a huge influence on my life. He and Betty encouraged me to go to University, which I did. I enjoyed many times at the cottage on Beaver Lake. In fact my children and I were just talking about the last time we were there, probably 30 years ago. Rest in peace Denis. I know you will be missed. I am so glad you were part of my life.
Wendy Homenuk Taylor

Wendy Taylor - June 06 at 01:55 PM



“ I only had the pleasure of meeting him once. My family stayed at Casey and Lisa's Cabin one summer a few years back and we took a walk to meet Denis. He showed my kids all his hunted treasures, knives, animal heads and a giant fish he caught, which I think was on the wall if I remember correctly . My kids enjoyed the nature and on the walk back we went turtle hunting and actually saw one !!! So much fun. Thank you Denis



Cynthia Boutilier - June 03 at 07:46 PM