



## Mr. Charles Wallace Brighton

September 11, 2015

Charles Wallace “Wally” Brighton of Toronto passed away at the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Palliative Care Unit, of cancer, on September 11, 2015.

Survived and deeply missed by his son Sean Brighton, his wife Corrine McCormick-Brighton, and grandchildren Caiden and Keenan of Oshawa. Also by Wallace’s former wife Elizabeth Brighton (née Pearson).

Sadly missed by sister Carole Barnes (née Brighton) and brother Wayne and his partner Cathy. Also by Carole’s children Jennifer and David and his wife Kathryn, and Wayne’s children Neil and Jessica and her husband Jordan.

Predeceased by his parents Charles and Zillah Brighton (née Wallace) and by his first cousin Jean Karikas (née McLaurin).

Missed by many friends and former colleagues, especially in the fine art communities in Toronto and Oshawa.

Wally was born in Winnipeg on September 27th, 1940. His Dad being in the Air Force, the family was then posted to Calgary and Trenton before settling in Ottawa in the early 1950s. There Wally graduated from Nepean High School and Ottawa Teachers College.

As early as age 10, Wally showed a talent and passion for drawing that became his calling for the rest of his life. At about age 20, he moved to Toronto to follow his dream, enrolling at the Ontario College of Art (OCA). Thereafter he combined his teaching skills and artistic abilities, moving to Oshawa with his family to be an art teacher at O'Neill Collegiate & Vocational Institute. For several years he was the head of the art department at O'Neill. He influenced many colleagues and students.

He participated in many art shows, including the Station Gallery in Whitby and. He was particularly proud of his solo art show, titled "Ecce Homo" (Behold the Man) held at the Toronto School of Art in March, 2006.

In Palliative Care he did ceramics and created 24 beautiful landscapes, which he viewed proudly as part of his "legacy". His ability to pursue his passion in his final year was due to the excellent care he received. The family would like to express deep-felt appreciation to Dr. Debbie Selby, and all the staff and volunteers at Ward K-1 East, and also arts therapists Lorrie and Sharona.

Memorial donations to the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre (Art Therapy if desired) or the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

A private memorial will be held to celebrate Wally's life.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. Brighton was one of my favourite teachers at O'Neill. He was a creative thinker and from what I can remember a very patient teacher with all his students. A true artist through and through. He will be missed. Our deepest condolences go out to Sean and Corrine and the rest of the Brighton family.*

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**Sam Siciliano** - September 19, 2015 at 09:02 AM

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“ *Our sincere condolences to Sean and the rest of his family. Wally was a fine gentle man and talented colleague at O'Neill for many years. Linda and I will cherish the art piece we received from him during his final year of teaching at O'Neill and will remember his talent always.*

*Bill and Linda Widdis*

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**Bill Widdis** - September 15, 2015 at 05:24 PM

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“ *Bakker Technical Services purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Mr. Charles Wallace Brighton.*



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**Bakker Technical Services** - September 15, 2015 at 01:48 PM