



## Sylvia E. Gowans

September 5, 2024

Sylvia Elizabeth Gowans (nee Perron) November 16, 1938 – September 5, 2024

It is with deep sorrow that the family of Sylvia Elizabeth Gowans announce her passing after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Sylvia passed peacefully into the presence of the Lord on Thursday, September 5, 2024.

Sylvia had a great capacity for life, travelling widely, enjoying her retirement years in Unionville, playing bridge, gardening, frequenting local theatre, and until declining health rendered it impossible, attending her much loved church – The Olive Branch, Markham. Relationships mattered most of all to Sylvia and she enjoyed good times and visits with family, and many friends, some that she kept in close touch with since High School days.

Sylvia was predeceased by her loving husband Paul R. Gowans, her father Harry N. Perron, and mother Nancy Perron (nee McGregor) and her sister Audrey Charlotte Laing (nee Perron). She will be fondly missed by nephews Brent (Diane) of Denver, Gary (Bev) of Hamilton, Debbie (Dave) of Tilden Lake, and Darren (Karen) of Toronto. Predeceased by nephews Grant and Mark. Sylvia is lovingly remembered by many great nieces, great nephews

and their children. She is also survived by many cousins, and extended Perron, McGregor, and Glancy families.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE is scheduled for Saturday, June 14 11:00am at The Olive Branch Community Church 175 Anderson Ave., Markham, ON. The family of would be honoured by the presence of extended family and friends at this important event to bear tribute to our much loved Aunt Sylvia.

Refreshments will be served following the gathering.

# Tribute Wall

GL

“ We hope to see you at a Celebration of Sylvia's Life to be held at The Olive Branch Community Church, Markham, on Saturday, June 14 11:00am. Please refer to the posted obituary for further details.

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**Gary Laing** - March 12, 2025 at 10:33 AM

CM

“ I am so sad to learn of Sylvia's passing. Her friendship has been a true blessing in my life. I will be forever grateful for having known her. My condolences to Sylvia's family.

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**Carol McEachern** - January 14, 2025 at 01:26 PM

BH

“ My condolences to Sylvia's family. I knew Sylvia and Paul when they lived in Vancouver. Lots of good memories.

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**Bob Hewitson** - November 27, 2024 at 11:40 PM



“ Auntie Sylvia was much loved by us and a dear friend to my Mum ( Kate) who is deeply saddened by her passing. Her zest for life was contagious and she will be hugely missed and Remembered with such love by us in England.

*Sending love and strength to you all  
Caroline Burke xx*

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**Caroline Burke** - September 21, 2024 at 02:29 PM

TG

“ SYLVIA was a very nice friend to our MOM ,, Olive these last few years at Rouge ....I shall miss her happy smile ,,, Thank you Sylvia for your beautifl prescence there ,,,,xoxoxo Sincerely Terry Grove  
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TERRY GROVE - September 19, 2024 at 05:41 AM

MO

*How lovely to hear from you Terry. We miss seeing Olive. When we would visit Auntie, we often would have Olive sit with us as well. My youngest daughter, Evelyn loved to see Olive. Hope Olive is well. XO, Monica (great niece, one of the twins)*

Monica - September 19, 2024 at 09:31 AM

HT

*I don't even know how to start this off. Aunt Sylvia you were such a beautiful kind soul that we were all so luck to have in our lives. You brightened up every room with your lively presence and overall personality. My fondest memories of you are when we would go over to you house. You would take us out to your garden where we would spend Time in your garden drinking lemonade. You would always ask me about school, i always told you I was doing well. But one thing that you asked me every single time without fail was, how was I doing at hockey? I will tell you, my team is doing well and you would ask when you could come to my next game. I remember the day before stars fest hearing about your passing. I told myself that I would make you proud at stars Fest and I did Auntie. I got third. And I'll always be looking for your face in the stands. I hope I made you proud. I love you.*

Haleigh Topping - September 19, 2024 at 08:31 PM