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LYNNE ANABEL WEBB, UE



Died July 11, 2014 at the age of 68 following complications from diabetes. Lynne was born in Windsor, Ontario on March 4, 1946, the daughter of the late Oliver Alan Myers Webb and his wife, the late Annie Pearl Cady. She is survived by her husband, Gary Bagley; her sister Belva Webb (Richard Burman), her nieces Elizabeth and Annalisa Webb Burman; her brother-in-law Don Bagley (Shirley), sister-in-law Shirley Johnston (the late Ron), and many Bagley nieces, nephews and grand-nieces and nephews.

Lynne earned her Honours B.A. and B.Ed from Queen's Univer-

sity and began teaching in Atikokan, Ont. After her marriage, she moved to Ottawa and worked at Revenue Canada for the rest of her career. She continued her pursuit of learning, earning an M.A. in French literature and a CGA designation. Her love of education and desire to encourage it in others can be seen in the bursary she set up at Queen's in honour of her father.

She travelled the world with her husband and took her then-teenage sister on her first trip to Europe. Having no children of her own, she was a loving and doting aunt to her Burman nieces, and was unfailingly kind and hospitable to a wide circle of friends, relatives and acquaintances.

Lynne and her husband shared a keen interest in genealogy, and Lynne was especially proud to discover that she was both a Mayflower and a United Empire Loyalist descendant, and was active in both societies. She also enjoyed attending several family association meetings, especially the Hathaway and Misener annual get-togethers.

A celebration of Lynne's life was held at The Good Companions Seniors' Centre, 670 Albert St. Ottawa: a time to share stories and reminiscences about Lynne and the precious years we spent in her company. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada or the Oliver Alan Myers Webb Bursary at Queen's University would be appreciated.

With sincere thanks to the nurses and doctors of the ICU unit at Queensway-Carleton Hospital for their sensitive and compassionate care.

Lynne was a member of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch UELAC. She joined the executive in 2004 and served as Vice President, Secretary and latterly as President. She is a descendant of loyalists Jacob Glover and Johann Matthias Boughner.

Lynne's Mayflower ancestors were Richard Warren and Francis Cooke. She was on the board of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants for about 10 years, with the last four years as Treasurer.

...Gary Bagley



Descendants of Loyalists i Beechwood Cemetery

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the United Empire Loyalist Association of Canada, a tour of Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa was held on September 14, 2014 focusing on several descendants of Loyalists.

Approximately 45 people braved the chilly September weather to attend this event which was superbly organized by Dorothy Meyerhof and Sylvia Powers, both members of the executive of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch of the UELAC. Dorothy and Sylvia have been working on this tour for over a year and with the assistance of Nicole Bedard of Beechwood Cemetery put on a well-organized and informative tour. The brochure which was produced for the branch by Beechwood Cemetery contained the biographies of 16 descendants of United Empire Loyalists. All of the biographies were researched and written by Dorothy and Sylvia and several were presented throughout the tour.

Due to time restrictions, it was not possible to visit all of the gravesites mentioned in the brochure. However, those graves which were visited were easily walk-

able and a golf cart provided by Beechwood Cemetery staff was available for those with mobility difficulties. Each biography in the brochure gives detailed information about the descendant and about their Loyalist ancestor. Also, each biography gives the coordinates within the cemetery (section and lot number) which makes it very easy to find the location of the gravesite. Some of the names in the brochure of descendants and their Loyalist ancestors are: Ethel Ruby (Davis) Bennett (Loyalist ancestor Philip Derick); Norman William Bethune (Loyalist ancestor Rev. John Bethune); John Irwin Clark (Loyalist ancestor Robert Land Sr.); Diantha Adelaide (Clarke) Cluff (Loyalist ancestor Philip Empey) and Thomas Coltrin Keeler (Loyalist ancestor George Kieffer). The full brochure will be available on the Sir Guy Carleton website in the near future. www.uelac.org/ carletonuel/

After the tour a reception was held in the visitor centre where attendees could see the new branch banner and have a beverage and light snack.

Many, many thanks to Dorothy, Sylvia, the staff of Beechwood Cemetery and to the many families who provided information and photos.

A very successful tour indeed.



LIBRARY REPORT FOR OTTAWA BRANCH NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2014

The Sir Guy Carleton Branch Library continues to grow and improve. Recent additions to the collection are listed below. We are grateful to Sherry Ruch for many of these books.

Donations to the Library are always appreciated. If you have suggestions for new or missing books to be added, please contact Dorothy Meyerhof, our Librarian, at <meyerhof@magma.ca>.

UELAC Loyally Yours: 100 Years of the UELAC

William Smy An Annotated Nominal Roll of Butler's Rangers, 1777-1784 with

Documentary Sources

Grace Froom The Family Record of James Froom, Sr., United Empire Loyalists of

England, Vermont, and Upper Canada, and his Descendants

Mark Warren Anderdon: Some Folks Down the Road

Franklin Jameson The American Revolution Considered as a Social Movement

Catherine Crary The Price of Loyalty: Tory Writings from the Revolutionary Era

Elinor Kyte From Royal Township to Industrial City: Cornwall, 1784-1984

Elinor Kyte Redcoats and Patriotes: The Rebellions in Lower Canada, 1837-1838

Frederick Rosser London Township Pioneers, Including a Few Adjoining Families

Hamilton Branch, UELAC Loyalist Ancestors: Some Families of the Hamilton Area

Introduction to the Sir Guy Carleton Branch Library at the City of Ottawa Archives

Who were the Loyalists?

The designation "United Empire Loyalist" was created to honour forever those who remained loyal to Great Britain during the American Revolution (1776-1783). The United Empire Loyalists were those colonists who were living in the Thirteen Colonies at the time of the Revolution, remained faithful to the Crown, and wished to continue living in the New World. Approximately 70,000 Loyalists fled the

Thirteen Colonies. Of these, roughly 50,000 went to the British North American Colonies of Quebec, and Nova Scotia. It was the Loyalists who demanded the separation of Ontario from Quebec, and New Brunswick from Nova Scotia.

To recognize the stand that they had taken, on 9 November 1789, Sir Guy Carleton, Lord Dorchester, the governor of Quebec, declared "that it was his Wish to put the mark of Honour upon the Families who had adhered to the Unity of the Empire...". As a result of Dorchester's statement, printed militia rolls carried the notation:

N.B. Those Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire,

and joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in the

year 1783, and all their Children and their Descendants by either

sex, are to be distinguished by the following Capitals, affixed to their

names: U.E. Alluding to their great principle The Unity of the Empire.

Not included in this honour are regulars of the British army who came to North America to fight the rebels nor the German soldiers paid to fight on the side of the British, even both groups were eligible for free grants of land if they chose to remain in the British colonies after the war.

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada (UELAC) is dedicated to enriching the lives of Canadians through knowledge of the history of the United Empire Loyalists and their contribution to the development of Canada. The mission of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch is to preserve, promote, and celebrate the history and traditions of the Loyalist epoch in Canadian history.

History of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch Library

The foundation of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch library is the private book collection of Dr. Velma Rust, at one time the Branch genealogist. When she died in 2000 she left approximately 400 books to the Branch. In 2001 an agreement was reached between the Sir Guy Carleton Branch, the City of Ottawa Archives and the Ottawa Branch of the Ontario Genealogy Society to collocate the Sir Guy Carleton Branch Library with the Ottawa Branch Library at the City Archives, although the libraries are housed as separate collections.

Accessing the Loyalist Library

The collection now contains over 800 books and 27 periodical titles. Books are catalogued according to the Dewey Decimal system. They can be identified by the letters "UEL" preceding the catalogue number and the red dot on the spine. There is a Finding Aid in a white binder at the front of the Research Room which contains a list of subjects arranged alphabetically with the associated Dewey Decimal number; three separate lists of the books arranged by Dewey Decimal number, author and

title; a list of recent additions; a list of books specifically about Loyalists and a list of the periodical titles. The collection also includes two CDs; Carleton's Loyalist List including the Book of Negroes which lists those evacuated from New York in 1783, and an index to the 1786 McNiff Maps of Lancaster, Charlottenburgh, Cornwall, Osnabruck, Williamsburgh and Matilda (the Loyalist Maps). The CDs are located beside the Finding Aid. The complete collection listing is also available on the Sir Guy Carleton website http://www.uelac.org/Carletonuel/.

Loyalist books can be found principally under three separate Dewey Decimal numbers: 325.2071XXX - general books on the Loyalists of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario and 325.2074 - Loyalists of the United States; 971.3XXX - History of Ontario; and 973.3XXX - military history and records of the American Revolution. There are Loyalist books in the collections of BIFHSGO and Ottawa Branch OGS, and Loyalist materials in the vaults of the City Archives. These are included in the Finding Aid at the front of the Research Room.

New material is acquired which will assist members and the public to explore their loyalist family history and genealogy; to learn more of the collective Loyalist experience in Canada, especially in Ontario, and to encourage the preservation of Loyalist traditions. The Library acquires books that relate to the Loyalists and their lives before, during and after the Revolution. This includes biographies; family histories; censuses, religious, cemetery and vital records; military records; and histories of the American revolution, of the provinces where the Loyalists settled, and of the original 13 American colonies. As the collection is based on donations as well as purchases it includes books on other subjects including the United Kingdom, other provinces and states.

For those interested in proving their Loyalist ancestry these books provide valuable information, however, copies of original documents are required to obtain a certificate from the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada.

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