

## Melbourne Ashton

A funeral for Melbourne Ashton, 88, of Elgin Manor, a retired farmer, was held Saturday.

He died at Elgin Manor on Wednesday, September 22, 1993.

Mr. Ashton was born in Port Bruce on February 27, 1905 to the late Walter and Phoebe (Axford) Ashton.

He resided in Kingsmill and moved to Aylmer in 1970.

Mr. Ashton was a farmer and also drove a school bus for several years. He was a member of St. Paul's United Church.

He is survived by his wife Agnes (Mitchell) Ashton and a daughter, Greta Teskey and husband Bill of Wyandotte, Mich.

Mr. Ashton is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Lillie Herbert of Aylmer and Teresa Johnston and husband Bill of Chatham; three grandsons, Alan, Donald and John; and by several great-grandchildren.

The Reverend Richard Fairchild of St. John's United Church, Springfield, conducted the service from H. A. Keibel Funeral Home. Cremation followed.

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## Aaron Roberts

Aaron Roberts, 93, of Chateau Gardens, a retired Belmont area farmer, was buried in Aylmer Cemetery Thursday, September 30, 1993

He died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Tuesday, September 28, 1993.

Mr. Roberts was born in Malahide Township, October 8, 1899, to the late John R. and Thressa (Simpson) Roberts.

He was a member of Crossley Hunter United Church and lived and farmed most of his life at RR1, Belmont.

Mr. Roberts is survived by a great nephew Charles Evert and wife Jean of RR1, Belmont and a great niece Shirley Fisher and husband Harold of RR1, Springfield.

He was predeceased by two brothers George and Milton Roberts and a sister Thressa Legg.

The Reverend Richard Fairchild, of St. John's United Church, Springfield, conducted the service from H. A. Keibel Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: John Poortinga, Harold Page, John Evert, Mike Fisher, Bill Wright and Bev Wiltsie.

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## Saima Sophia Erickson

Saima Sophia Erickson, 78, of RR8, St. Thomas, a homemaker and mother, was buried in Mapleton Cemetery on Monday.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Friday, Oct. 15, 1993.

Mrs. Erickson was born in Finland on July 7, 1915 to the late Axel and Saima Antila.

She settled in Northern Ontario in 1929 and came to Elgin County in 1943.

She was a member of Church of Christ Disciples in Mapleton, Kingsmill-Mapleton Women's Institute and MVP Bible Class.

Mrs. Erickson is survived by: three sons, Ron Erickson and wife Joanne of RR8, St. Thomas, Nils Erickson of Windsor, and Bill Erickson of RR8, St. Thomas; and by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband John G. Erickson in 1976; and by two brothers and two sisters.

The Reverend Pat Ferrer, of Church of Christ Disciples, conducted the service from H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Scott, Patrick and John Erickson, Theo Schindler, Arnold Palmer and Hajro Avdovich.

## Church



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Youth Vespers  
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9:00 am - Sunday School  
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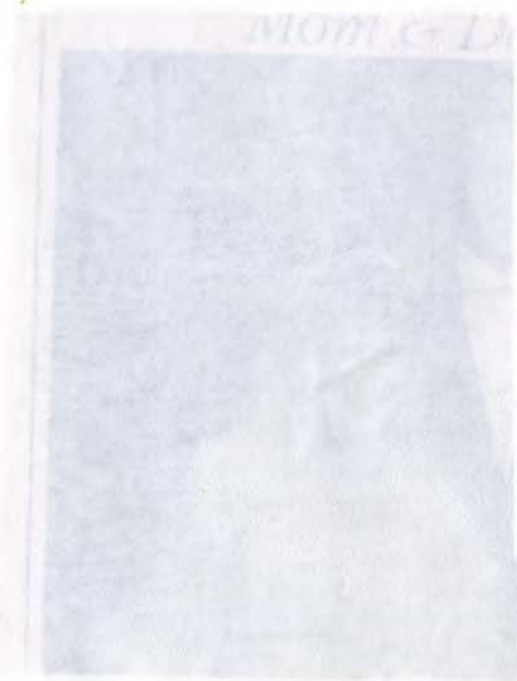
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Minister: Rev.  
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9:00 am - Holy Communion  
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## Trinity Anglican Church

Rev. Ron Walker

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Sunday, Oct 3rd  
9 am - Holy Communion  
11 am - Morning Prayer



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## Douglas Franklin

### Shepherd Legg

A funeral was held Saturday, January 22, for Douglas Franklin Shepherd Legg, 83, of Terrace Lodge, a retired farmer.

He died at Terrace Lodge on Wednesday, January 19, 1994.

Mr. Legg was born in South Dorchester Township on December 28, 1910 to the late H. Cecil and Agnes C. (Butchart) Legg.

He lived his life in South Dorchester where he operated a farm. He also worked as a security guard at Imperial Leaf Tobacco plant in Aylmer.

Mr. Legg was a member of the Church of Christ Disciples at Mapleton and served as an elder and treasurer for the church for several years. At the time of his death he was an honorary elder of the church.

He was the last surviving member of his family.

The Reverend Pat Ferrer, of Church of Christ Disciples, conducted the service from H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Necropolis Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jerry Loeters, Paul Faulds, Lyn Leslie, Ken McNeil, Dave Stover and Clarence Willsey.

Friends may call at the H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home, Aylmer 7-9 p.m. Friday where funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 22 at 1:30 p.m. Interment in the Necropolis Cemetery.

## Howard V. Northey

A funeral for Howard V. Northey, 82, of RR3 St. Thomas, a retired salesman, was held in St. Thomas Wednesday, February 9, 1994.

He died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Sunday, February 6, 1994.

Mr. Northey was born in Fenlon Falls on March 27, 1911 to Felix Albert and Margaret Jane (Braden) Northey.

He was a resident of St. Thomas area since the late 1950s and a 50-year elder of Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Mr. Northey was a retired salesman with International Stock Food Company, a life member of Ontario Springer Spaniel Club, and a life member of Southwestern Ontario Sporting Dog Club.

He is survived by his wife Kathleen (James) Northey; three sons, Jim Northey and wife Linda of Aylmer, Wayne Northey and wife Donna of Mount Salem, and Don Northey and wife Pat of St. Thomas; and two daughters, Pat Black of St. Thomas and Margaret Northey of RR3 St. Thomas.

Mr. Northey is also survived by a sister Reneene Graham of Fenlon Falls and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by several sisters and brothers.

The service was conducted from Sifton Funeral Home in St. Thomas with burial of ashes in Woodland Cemetery, London.

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**GARTON**

At Victoria Hospital, Westminster Campus, London, on Friday, April 1, 1994. Mrs. Beatrice Isadora Garton of 203 Union Street, Belmont; in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late Clarence Leland Garton (1967). Dear mother of Maxine Irish and her husband Jack of R.R.#2, Springfield; Perry Garton and his wife Patricia of R.R.#8, St. Thomas; Kenneth Garton and his wife Wilma of St. Thomas; Ted Garton and his wife Helen of R.R.#8, St. Thomas; Mary May Charlton and her husband Wayne of St. Thomas; Earl Garton of Surrey, B.C. Mother-in-law of Don Pettit of R.R.#3, St. Thomas. There are 20 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Predeceased by a daughter Marion Pettit (1988) and a son John Garton (1946), two granddaughters Peggy Garton (1959) and a Marlene Pettit (1950) and two brothers and one sister. Friends may call at the H.A. Kebbel Funeral Home, Aylmer, 7-9 P.M. Saturday and 2-4 and 7-9 P.M. Sunday where the funeral service will be held on Monday, April 4, 1994 at 1:30 P.M. Interment in Mapleton Cemetery. Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society as expressions of sympathy appreciated by the family.

**Beatrice Isadora Garton****Beatrice Garton**

Mrs. Garton was predeceased by her husband Clarence Leland Garton in 1967, a daughter Marion Pettit in 1988, a son John in 1946, two granddaughters Marlene Pettit and Peggy Garton, and by two brothers and a sister.

The Reverend Pat Ferrer, of Mapleton Church of Christ Disciples conducted the service from H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Mapleton Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Clarence, Roger, Mike and David Garton and Dan and Donald Pettit.

A funeral was held in Aylmer Monday for Beatrice Isadora Garton, 90, of Union St., Belmont, a homemaker and mother who died at Westminster Campus, Victoria Hospital on Friday, April 1, 1994.

She was born in Malahide Township on November 1, 1903 to the late William and Ruth (Berdan) Perry.

Mrs. Garton lived most of her life in Mapleton area and moved to Belmont about four years ago.

She is survived by six children, Maxine Irish and husband Jack of RR2 Springfield, Perry Garton and wife Patricia of RR8 St. Thomas, Kenneth Garton and wife Wilma of St. Thomas, Ted Garton and wife Helen of RR8 St. Thomas, Mary May Charlton and husband Wayne of St. Thomas, and Earl Garton of Surrey, B. C.; a son-in-law Don Pettit of RR3 St. Thomas; and by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

**GARTON**

The family of the late Beatrice Isadora Garton would like to thank everyone for their kindness and caring during her illness and in our bereavement. Our sincere thanks to relatives, friends and neighbours for their floral tributes, charitable donations and all who visited and attended the service. A special thanks to Home Care, the VON nurses, the nursing staff at Elgin General Hospital, the Oncology staff at Victoria Hospital Westminster Campus who gave special care. A heartfelt thanks, to Rev. Pat Ferrer for his visitations, prayers and words of comfort, to Herb Kebbel and staff at Kebbels Funeral Home for their caring assistance. We also extend our gratitude to the members of Mapleton Church of Christ Disciples for the lovely luncheon following the service. The support and thoughtfulness will be remembered always.

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## Darcy Norman McEown



Darcy Norman McEown

A funeral for Darcy Norman McEown, 20, of RR7 Aylmer, a farmer and member of Aylmer Fair Board, was held Friday.

He died in a silo accident at the family farm, Tuesday, April 19, 1994. He was working to free corn frozen to the side of the storage unit when a 15-foot wall of silage came loose and buried him.

Volunteer firefighters from Yarmouth and South Dorchester applied artificial respiration but Mr. McEown was pronounced dead at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital.

He was born in Yarmouth Township on November 12, 1973 to Stephen and Frances (Sinden) McEown of RR7 Aylmer.

He was a graduate of East Elgin Secondary School and worked with his parents on the family farm.

David Jenkins knew Mr. McEown through his work with Aylmer Fair Board

where he was an active participant, especially in the poultry division.

His attitude and enthusiasm would be greatly missed, he said.

Mr. McEown is survived by his parents; three brothers Larry McEown and wife Monica of RR1 Delaware, Kenneth McEown and wife Karen of St. Thomas and Vincent McEown at home; and by two sisters Julie and Joan McEown at home.

He is also survived by his grandmothers Hilda Sinden of Aylmer and Thelma McEown of Aylmer; and by sev-

eral aunts and uncles.

Mr. McEown was uncle to Raymond Stephen and Carrie McEown of St. Thomas and Brett McEown of Aylmer.

The Reverend Ken Turnbull of Church of Christ, Aylmer conducted the service from H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Orwell Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Lawrence Sanders, Keith Danbrook, Albert Gredig, Charlie Baertsoen, Steven White and John Sanders.

Flower bearers were Earl, Richard, Gordon, Murray, Roy and Alvin McEown.

# Silage fall kills Darcy McEown

APRIL 19, 1994

Twenty-year-old Darcy McEown, of RR7 Aylmer, was pronounced dead at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital Tuesday morning, after being trapped in a fall of corn silage at his family farm.

Emergency crews attempted to revive him at the scene and at hospital but were unsuccessful.

Sgt. Mike Rogozynski of St. Thomas detachment, Ontario Provincial Police, said Mr. McEown was working inside a silo when he was trapped under falling corn silage. The farm is situated on Yarmouth Concession Road 9, just west of Penhale Sideroad.

Police said it appeared Mr. McEown was trying to free silage that had frozen to the walls of the storage unit during the winter.

Warm temperatures might have loosened the material and caused a larger fall than he anticipated.

A dozen volunteer firefighters from Yarmouth Station 2 plus 10 from South Dorchester were called to the scene at 9:30 a.m. They began cardiopulmonary techniques inside the silo.

Ambulance attendants took over resuscitation efforts on their arrival and continued to work until arrival at the emergency room at hospital.

Fire crews returned to their stations by 10:50 a.m.

Provincial police from the identification unit in London were called to the scene and began their investigation as family members tried to console each other.

The Reverend Ken Turnbull of Church of Christ, Aylmer, was called to the scene to comfort the family.

Mr. McEown was single and lived on the 140-acre family farm, known as Seymour Farms, owned by his parents Stephen and Frances McEown.

A brother, Vincent, and two younger sisters, Julie and Joan, also live at the farm. A brother Ken McEown and his family reside on Police College Road, at RR4 Aylmer.

Mr. McEown was an active member of Aylmer Fair board, said former secretary-manager Diana Anderson. "He worked with the poultry committee and was a valued member."

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## Mabel Ashton

A funeral for Mabel Ashton, 77, of Curtis Street, St. Thomas, a homemaker and mother, was held Monday, May 2 in St. Thomas.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Friday, April 29, 1994.

Mrs. Ashton was born in North Yarmouth on August 26, 1916 to the late Charles and Flora Pettit.

She lived most of her life in Kingsmill.

Mrs. Ashton is survived by five children, Marilyn O'Brien and husband Austin of Aylmer, Ken Ashton of Wardsville, Gary Ashton and wife Vivian of St. Thomas, Wayne Ashton of St. Thomas and Bryan Ashton and Gloria of Westlock, Alberta.

She is also survived by two brothers, Harvey Pettit and wife Mabel of St. Thomas, and Donald Pettit and wife Dee of New Sarum; two sisters Florence Johnson of St. Thomas and Eleanor Kunz of Orwell; sisters-in-law Agnes Ashton and Lillie Herbert both of Aylmer, Teresa Johnston and husband Bill of Chatham; and by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Ashton was predeceased by her husband L. Mervin Ashton in 1982 and by an infant daughter, Darlene.

The Reverend Bruce Moorehouse conducted the service from Williams Funeral Home with burial in Orwell Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Larry and Jim O'Brien, Larry Maki, Jonathan Potts and Shaun, Darren and Greg Ashton.

Flower bearers were Nancy Ashton, Juliann Maki, Janice Potts and Karen and Ginger O'Brien.

## Hazel Drake



**Hazel Drake**

A funeral for Hazel Drake, 85, of Mapleton, a retired seamstress, was arranged for Thursday, May 5.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Sunday, May 1, 1994.

Mrs. Drake was born at Lakeview, in Bayham Township, on July 3, 1908 to the late Charles and Mabel (Brown) Roberts.

She lived in Mapleton for 60 years and operated Mapleton Invisible Mending and Alterations. She was also a correspondent for St. Thomas Times-Journal and was a member of Aylmer Baptist Church.

Mrs. Drake is survived by five children, Doreen Barker of Ottawa, Donna Skoreiko and husband John of Edmonton, Alberta, Charles Drake and wife Eleanor of Langley, B.C., Robert Drake and wife Velda of Norwich, and Ann Dennis and husband Wilson of Mapleton.

She is also survived by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and by brother-in-law Ross Hodgins of London.

Mrs. Drake was predeceased by her husband Keith Elmo Drake in 1991, an infant son David Drake, a granddaughter Sheila Barker, a twin sister Ethel Hodgins, a sister Myrtle Diduch and a brother Donald Roberts.

The Reverend Michael Green, of Aylmer Baptist Church, and The Reverend Pat Ferrer, of New Sarum Baptist Church, will conduct the service from H. A. Keibel Funeral Home, Aylmer at 1:30 p.m.

Eleanor Drake will sing "In the Garden" and Charles Drake will give a Eulogy.

Burial will be in Cultus Cemetery.

# Dorothy Jean Ryder



**Dorothy Ryder**

A funeral was held Saturday morning for Dorothy Jean Ryder, 78, of John Street south, "a traditional mother" who was a great friend to agricultural fair people throughout Ontario and well known for her quilt-making ability.

Mrs. Ryder was a homemaker and community supporter who took an active role in agricultural fairs in Aylmer and throughout the province.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday, June 15, 1994 after being ill for three weeks with cancer.

Mrs. Ryder was born in Malahide Township on September 29, 1915 to the late John and Annie Mae (Eagan) Widner.

She moved to Aylmer in 1935 and was employed at Aylmer Steam Laundry from 1936 to 1941.

From there she went to work at Carnation Milk Company until 1956.

Her son Marvin Ryder described her as the traditional mother who did not work outside the home after marriage. During the funeral service Marvin spoke lovingly and in detail of his mother and her many activities. The Rev. Norman Jones added that he didn't know what people did in heaven but he was certain Dorothy would be busy.

In addition to taking care of her family, she was active in many aspects of community life.

Marvin remembers the family living room becoming the collection centre for money raised in community campaigns for the cancer society and similar organizations.

"She was not so much a leader as the glue...you know...the person you can always count on to do the work."

With the modern trend of both parents of a family working, he said it was "becoming difficult to find such persons today".

Mrs. Ryder was active in Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies since 1968 when she was first elected District 8A, Ladies Division representative. In 1972 she was elected president.

As a member of the provincial organization, she worked to popularize Canada Packers Quilt Competition and Miss Canadian National Exhibition, Queen of the Fairs competition.

She was a certified judge of baking, quilting, sewing, knitting and crafts competitions at agricultural fairs. Mrs. Ryder was active in judging competitions for more than 25 years.

In the 1970s, she conducted five judging schools to share her knowledge with others.

Ora Eggleton was a lifelong friend of Mrs. Ryder. The two met when they were young girls.

She described Mrs. Ryder as "a wonderful person you could depend on."

"She was handy with a number of things. I am going to miss her very much."

Janet Hiepleh knew Mrs. Ryder for almost 50 years.

She said the two often travelled together to attend fairs in other parts of the province. They roomed together when attending the provincial annual meeting in Toronto.

"I guess I got to know her a little better than most other people did."

Mrs. Hiepleh described Mrs. Ryder as a fair-minded person who was seriously involved with fair board activities at all levels and gladly shared her knowledge with others.

"She was a dear friend, well respected and well regarded everywhere she went."

Mrs. Ryder was director and associate director of Aylmer and East Elgin Agricultural Society Ladies Division, for over 40 years.

She served as second vice-president 1960 to 1961, first vice-president 1962 to 1963 and president 1964 to 1965.

She was a member of Fanshawe College Aylmer Advisory Board from 1973 to 1988 and taught quilting at night school during that time.

Mrs. Ryder was a member of St. Paul's United Church for more than 50 years. In the late 1960s she worked with a team of church members to sew and stuff cushions for pews in the church gallery.

As a member of the United Church Women's Group, she served in many capacities including social convenor. She helped organize quilt shows, craft shows, rummage sales, bazaars, senior citizen dinners, Couple's Club activities and was part of a quilting group for more than 15 years.

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She served as a member of the quilt committee at the 1985 International Plowing Match in Elgin, was a member of Avalon Rebekah Lodge in Aylmer since 1953, and a member of Mapleton Women's Institute, Kingsmill from 1933 to 1936.

Since 1987, she participated in Aylmer Meals on Wheels program and delivered meals once a month to 10 shut-ins.

In the past decade she travelled widely visiting such places as Hawaii, England, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Barbados, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Bali, Thailand, Singapore, Antigua and the southwestern United States.

Mrs. Ryder was an expert quilt maker for over 50 years, and averaged three or four, full-sized quilts a year.

She was also a knitter and averaged three dozen pairs of mittens a year, many of which were donated to charities.

She also had a strong interest in sewing, crocheting and working with plastic canvass.

In addition to her son Marvin Ryder of Hamilton, she is survived by two stepdaughters, Brenda Nichol and husband Wayne of London and Mary Suozzi and husband Tony of London; a brother Jack Widner and wife Helen of RR4 Aylmer; and a sister Helen Baughman of Aylmer.

Mrs. Ryder was also grandmother to Brenda Lee Grundy and husband Scott, Rick Nichol and Rich Suozzi all of London and great-grandmother to Ashley and Lyndsay Grundy.

She was predeceased by her husband Carmen Ryder in December 1983 and by a brother Donald Widner.

The Reverend Norman Jones, of St. Paul's United, conducted the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Don and Ralph Baughman, Mark Widner, Art Miskelly, Barb Kelly and Carol Stockford.

Flower bearers were Kay Hewitt, Marion Kent, Kay Roberts and Katie Tinnes.



## Robert Syrell Millard



Robert Syrell Millard

Robert Syrell Millard, 72, of RR7 Aylmer, a retired farmer and former member of South Dorchester Township council, died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Tuesday, June 21, 1994.

He was born in Aylmer on February 17, 1922 to the late William and Alice (Pope) Millard.

Mr. Millard was a farmer and a member of Mapleton Church of Christ Disciples.

He served overseas with the Royal Air Force during the Second Great War.

Mr. Millard was a member of the last board of East Elgin High School before introduction of the county-wide school board.

He was a member of South Dorchester Township council from 1973 until 1982. He served as reeve of the township in 1982 after the death of J. B. Wilson who had been elected to the post for that term.

Township Clerk Marie Wilson remembers him as "a super fellow who was easy to get along with. He was easy-going and everything was great with him."

Mr. Millard was a member and past patron of Carnation Chapter 135, Order of the Eastern Star, Springfield, and Springfield Masonic Lodge 259 AF and AM.

He is survived by his wife Ardath (Cline) Millard; a son Randy Millard and wife Beth of RR7 Aylmer and two daughters Sharlet Ellsworth and husband Ron of RR7 Aylmer and Jeanine MacIntyre and husband Doan of RR1 Belmont; and by several grandchildren.

Mr. Millard is also survived by two sisters, Grace Allingham and husband Douglas of Kirkland Lake and Helen Dubitz of New Liskeard; two brothers Milt Millard and wife Helen of Brantford and Art Millard and wife Chris of Scarborough; and by a sister-in-law Grace Cline of Aylmer.

He was predeceased by a sister Mildred Johnson and by two brothers Harry and Donald Millard.

A funeral, conducted by The Reverend Pat Ferrer of Mapleton Church of Christ, was arranged for 1:30 p.m. Friday, June 24, from H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Necropolis Cemetery.

## Robert Syrell Millard

A funeral for Robert Syrell Millard, 72, of RR7 Aylmer, a retired farmer and former member of South Dorchester Township council, was held Friday, June 24.

He died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Tuesday, June 21, 1994.

Mr. Millard was a member of Aylmer Baptist Church.

The Reverend Pat Ferrer of Mapleton Church of Christ Disciples, conducted the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Necropolis Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Peter N. Provost Jr., John R. Wilson, Wayne Hiepleh, Paul Faulds, Dennis Herbert and John Shackleton.

Flower bearers were Scott, Michael, and Bryan Millard, Bradley Ellsworth, and Cameron and Joshua MacIntyre.

## Peter Stanley Nettleton

Peter Stanley Nettleton, 81, of Elgin Manor, a retired farm labourer, died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday May 10, 1995.

Mr. Nettleton was employed at Rokeby Orchard for 20 years before retiring.

"He was part of the orchard," Linda Rokeby said. "He was a distinctive character always dressed in striped, railroad type coveralls. He was like a big kid."

He was born in Southwest Hackney, London, England on August 19, 1913 and was raised in a Barnardo Home in England.

Cremation and a private funeral service was arranged through H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home.

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A funeral was held at Belmont United Church Friday, for Harold Wesley Jenkins, 70, of West Street, Belmont. He was a prominent dairy farm operator and active promoter of agriculture and community life.

He died at South Street Campus of Victoria Hospital, London on Tuesday, November 22, 1994.

Mr. Jenkins was born in South Dorchester Township on July 25, 1924 to the late James and Leda (Venning) Jenkins.

He was operator of Haldrey Farms, Belmont for many years, and served as chairman of several community organizations including: Elgin Holstein Club, Elgin Milk Committee, Elgin Soil and Crop Improvement, Elgin Trustees and Ratepayers Association, Catfish Creek Conservation Authority and South Dorchester Township Council.

Ken Zimmer, president of the Holstein club said Mr. Jenkins was an active member who regularly participated in meetings. "He was an enthusiastic Holstein breeder and a nice person who was always approachable."

Milk committee chairman, Steve Walters described Mr. Jenkins as a true leader of the dairy industry who set the example "for the rest of us fellows to look up to."

"He was always out in front and he attended all but one of the milk board annual meetings in Toronto. That really shows he was interested in what happened in our industry."

He said Mr. Jenkins missed that single meeting because he was confined to hospital at the time. "He was a special fellow who is certainly going to be missed within the dairy industry."

Kim Smate, general manager at CCCA, said Mr. Jenkins was one of the leaders "who got the authority going. He had a strong interest in conservation and a terrific member of the board. He was always interested in what was happening at the authority and served as chairman for about five years."

Clarence Willsey, former reeve of South Dorchester described Mr. Jenkins as a good neighbour and "a wonderful person to work with. He was 100 percent."

The two men had served on South Dorchester Public School Board. Mr. Willsey said he was defeated by Mr. Jenkins in a municipal election and "I never bothered trying to go back on council 'till he quit."

Mr. Jenkins was noble grand of Hope IOOF 69, member of Victory IOOF for 45 years, past district deputy grand master Elgin 16 and a member of Monta Rebekah Lodge 239.

Mr. Jenkins was clerk of session for Belmont United Church for 23 years and Sunday school superintendent and teacher.

He is survived by his wife Audrey (Gent) Jenkins; two sons, Jim Jenkins and wife Jeanette of Belmont and

David Jenkins of Belmont; two daughters, Jean Emmott and husband Bill of Brantford and Nancy Hargreaves and husband Dwight of Beachville.

Mr. Jenkins is also survived by grandchildren An-

## Harold Wesley Jenkins



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drew, Philip and Wesley Emmott, Megan and Katie Jenkins, Rachel, Teri-Jean, Kristina and Ellen Hargreaves; a brother Don Jenkins and wife Leila of Belmont; and a sister Bea Matthews and husband Walter of Mapleton.

The Reverend Lorne Thrower, of Belmont United, and The Reverend Gloria Langlois, of Knox Presbyterian Church conducted the service, arranged by H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home, with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Gordon and Charles Jenkins, John and Donald Gent, Bill and Ken Hutchinson.

Flowerbearers were Andrew and Philip Emmott, Megan and Katie Jenkins, Kristina, Rachel and Terry-Jean Hargreaves.

Piper was Terry Darbyshire, organist was Betty Lou Robbins and an honour guard was provided by the board of session at Belmont United.

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## Ruby Gertrude Appleford

A funeral was held Monday for Ruby Gertrude Appleford, 82, of Terrace Lodge, a homemaker and mother.

She died at Terrace Lodge on Saturday, October 28, 1995.

Mrs. Appleford was born in South Dorchester Township on March 20, 1913 to the late Miles and Effie (Dibb) Holmes.

She lived at Mapleton until moving to Aylmer in 1970.

Mrs. Appleford is survived by a son, James and wife Jean of RR7 Aylmer; three daughters, Marjorie Hoffer and husband John of London, Catherine Appleford of London, Mary Appleford of Aylmer, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband Clare J. Appleford in 1970, a brother William Holmes and a sister Opal Swance.

The Rev. Norman Jones,

of St. Paul's United Church, conducted the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Mapleton Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Raymond Dance, Tony Van Roestel, Wayne Hiepleh, Bev Finch, Isaac Friesen and Don Smith.

Flowerbearers were Steve Hoffer, Jim, George, Don and Bill Appleford.

## Wayne J. Johnson

A funeral for Wayne J. Johnson, 58, of RR7 Aylmer, an employee at ICM Krebsoge Canada Ltd., St. Thomas, has been arranged for Thursday, November 30 at 1:30 p.m.

He died at home Monday, November 27, 1995.

Mr. Johnson was born in Chatham on October 13, 1937 to Lela (Moore) Johnson of Sunnyside Manor and the late Donald Johnson.

He lived most of his life in south Dorchester and was employed at ICM Krebsoge for 39 years.

He is survived by his wife Linda (Mayo) Johnson; his mother Lela Johnson; two daughters, Brenda Bell and

husband Robert of London, Bonnie Leger and husband Pat of Geraldton; two stepchildren Laura Leatherdale and John DeBeck of RR7 Aylmer, Donald Leatherdale of Middlemiss; a brother Larry Johnson and wife Rina of St. Thomas.

He is also survived by grandchildren Stephaney, Ashlie, Justin, Amanda, Emily; a great-granddaughter Adele; several nieces and nephews.

The Rev. Pat Ferrer, of New Sarum Baptist Church, will conduct the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Mapleton Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Walt Pyatt, Les Baker, Bob Wardel, Jim Sheils, Jim Appleford and Brian Hunter

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### Kathleen E. White

A funeral for Kathleen E. White, 92, of Caressant Care Nursing Home, St. Thomas, a homemaker and mother formerly of Mapleton, was held Friday in Aylmer.

She died at Caressant Care on Tuesday, August 1, 1995.

Mrs. White was born in Fergus Falls, Minnesota on April 28, 1903 to the late Dr. A. E. Ronald and Rose (Swayze) Strath.

She was a member of Yarmouth Centre United Church, attended Church of Christ Disciples, Mapleton and a former member of St. Paul's United Church, Aylmer.

She is survived by two sons, Ronald White of London, John E. White Jr. of RR8, St. Thomas; three

daughters, Beatrice Pineo and husband Charles of Port Bruce, Evelyn Gracey and husband Gordon of Missis-sauga, Barbara McPhee and husband Finnan of Bramp-ton; two daughters-in-law, Beatrice White of Aylmer and Eleanor White of Lon-don; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was also survived by two sisters-in-law, Neva Edmonds, Nora Campbell; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband John Adrian White in 1980; three sisters, Jean Heydon-Hoyt, Helen Richmond, Gertrude Hay-ward; and a brother, Ronald Strath.

The Reverend Roger Lan-dell, of Yarmouth Centre church, conducted the serv-ice at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

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# Steve McEown was active promoter of agriculture and Aylmer Fair

A funeral was held Saturday for Steve Seymour McEown, 57, of RR7 Aylmer, a farmer who took an active interest in his community and profession.

After the funeral more than 150 persons attended a reception at Aylmer Curling Club, hosted by Aylmer and East Elgin Agricultural Society. Past presidents all wore their ceremonial blazers.

Mr. McEown died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday, April 17, 1996.

He was born in Malahide Township on April 12, 1939 to Thelma (Wiley) McEown of Aylmer and the late Glenn McEown.

He was a farmer in Yarmouth and Malahide townships for many years.

His sister-in-law, Berniece Sinden said Steve had been taking medication for a heart condition for about 10 years.

Early Wednesday morning his wife Frances found him in distress and called for an ambulance to take him to hospital. About three hours later, she was called to the hospital and told he was dead.

Miss Sinden said her brother-in-law was a supportive husband whose "family meant everything to him."

He was also a strong supporter of Aylmer Fair Board, she said.

Mr. McEown was a past president and 40-year member of Aylmer and East Elgin Agricultural Society, also known as Aylmer Fair Board. He was a strong advocate of the fair and its potential to educate the urban community about rural neighbours.



Steve McEown

Lorne Matthews, a long-time member of the agricultural society, said Mr. McEown was always an active member and willing worker with the organization.

His specialty was poultry but he was always willing to lend his expertise to any aspect of the fair.

As a past president he kept a careful watch on the board and "generally had a pretty close eye on what the finance committee was doing."

"He was too young to die. He was a good friend and a good church man," Mr. Matthews said.

Gerry Freeman met Mr. McEown when the two attended highschool. They also worked together on the fair board.

"He will be sorely missed, especially for his expertise on parliamentary procedure. He was always a sort of watchdog who often set people straight (about bylaws or procedure) during the meetings."

Mr. McEown headed the poultry committee for many years. "We weren't close socially but he was a good friend."

In a prepared statement, John Van Gorp, president of the fair board described Mr. McEown as a valued member and tower of strength to the board.

He was a 40-year member and served as a director since 1964. He served two consecutive terms as president in 1986 and 1987.

"Steve McEown always kept notes at the monthly board meetings and had a great grasp of all aspects of the fair to the extent that the board relied more and more on his knowledge of the operation of the fair."

"If there was some doubt in a discussion as a meeting, Steve would get out his notebook to help in solving the problem. We will be unable to replace Steve."

"Just two years ago this month our Fair Board lost young Darcy McEown who was following in his father's footsteps in the poultry committee and now we have lost Steve." (Darcy McEown was killed in a silo accident on the family farm.)

Mr. McEown was past president of Elgin Federation of Agriculture, a director of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture and a director of Elgin Co-op.

He was an elder at Church of Christ in Aylmer for 35 years and past president of Ontario Christian Assembly.

The Rev. Ken Turnbull said Mr. McEown was "a driving force behind the church. He was an active

member who taught me a lot about the ministry."

He said Mr. McEown went to great effort to help the Turnbells settle in the community when they moved to Aylmer.

"He held just about every office in the church. When he took on a job, you knew it was going to get done."

Mr. McEown is survived by his wife Frances (Sinden) McEown; three sons, Larry and friend Wendy Butler of RR4 Aylmer, Ken and wife Karen of St. Thomas, Vincent at home; two daughters, Julie and friend Dennis Sturdy of Clear Creek, Joan at home.

He is also survived by six brothers, Earl of Bay City, Michigan, Richard and wife Cynthia of RR4 Aylmer, Gordon and wife Mary of RR4 Aylmer, Murray and wife Donna of RR6 Aylmer, Roy and friend Rose of London, Alvin and wife Cheryl of RR4 Aylmer; three sisters, Bertha Matlack and husband Ken of London, Sarah Brazier and husband Don of Dutton, Darlene McEown of Aylmer; grandchildren Raymond, Stephen, Carrie and Brett.

He was predeceased by son Darcy in 1994.

The Rev. Turnbull, of Church of Christ, assisted by Rev. Jim Cormode conducted the service at H. A. Keibel Funeral Home, with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Wilfred Saarloos, Keith Danbrook, Ron Bradt, Howard Stover, Charles Baertsoen and Tom Carrel.

Flowerbearers were Jack Dykxhoorn, George Nasswetter, George Kaldis and Herb Schiller.

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# Donald Elmer Mossey



Donald Mossey

A funeral service for Donald Elmer Mossey, 69, of 75 Maple St., a retired farmer who was active in community life, was held Monday at St. Paul's United Church.

He died at home on Friday, May 17, 1996. He was diagnosed with cancer in the summer of 1995.

Mr. Mossey was born in Culloden on May 8, 1927 to the late Elmer and Mildred (Williams) Mossey.

He operated a dairy farm at Kingsmill for several years.

He was a member of St. Paul's church and past president of Aylmer Optimist Club.

Mr. Mossey is survived by his wife Mary (Prong) Mossey; three sons, Bob and wife Julie of Aylmer, Bill and wife Linda of Aylmer, Brian and friend Marleen of Byron; four step-children, Bob Ker and wife Cathy of Aylmer, Barry Ker and wife Deb of Aylmer, Tom Ker of London, Jill Fath and husband John of Aylmer; a sister, Jean Wolfe of Tillsonburg; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his first wife Betty (White) Mossey.

Jack Ralf and Mr. Mossey became friends when the two joined the Optimist Club about 23 years ago.

Mr. Ralf said Mr. Mossey was a well liked person. "He

never had an enemy."

They worked together on several projects. "They don't come any better than Don. He was always there for you."

He was an active member and served in every elected office in the club. "He was one of our most active members and helped out in everything we did."

He said Mr. Mossey supported Optimist programs and activities of other community groups.

The Rev. Norman Jones conducted the service, arranged through H. A. Keibel Funeral Home, with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Joe Dionne, Jack Ralf, Graydon Mills, Bill Nelson, Howard Stover, Peter Axelson.

Flowerbearers were Mike and Naithan Mossey, Tony Minor, Kevin Ker.

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# Arthur R. Jenkins

A funeral for Arthur R. Jenkins, 85 of 5 Walnut St., a retired dairy farmer, was held Thursday, June 20.

He died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Monday, June 17, 1996.

The Rev. Norman Jones, of St. Paul's United Church, conducted the service at H. A. Keibel Funeral Home

with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Stan Drabick, James Manning, Larry and Jim Jenkins, Murray and Ralph Pettit.

Flowerbearers were Gord and David Jenkins, Shawn Greenlund and Archie McCullum.

# Helen May Jenkins

A funeral for Helen May Jenkins, 81, of 5 Walnut St., formerly of RR1 Belmont, was held Saturday.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday, October 2, 1996.

Mrs. Jenkins was born in St. Thomas on December 24, 1914 to the late William and Ellen (Veale) Oliver.

She lived in Aylmer since 1984, was a member of Belmont United Church, and obtained her 50-year jewel as a member of St. Thomas Flower City Chapter 91, Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by two

nephews Harold Manning and wife Grace, Ernest Jenkins and wife Madeline, all of RR1 Belmont.

She was predeceased by her husband Arthur Jenkins in 1996 and a brother Robert Evans.

The Rev. Lloyd Brown, of Belmont United Church, conducted the service from H. A. Keibel Funeral Home with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Archie McCullum, James Manning, Larry and Jim Jenkins, Murray and Ralph Pettit.

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## Madeline Pettit

A funeral for Madeline Pettit, 79, of Springfield, a mother, homemaker and former owner-operator of Sugar Bowl Restaurant in Aylmer, was held Tuesday.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Saturday, January 20, 1996.

Mrs. Pettit was born in London on September 21, 1916 to the late Frederick and Madeline (Agar) Arrand.

She lived in South Dorchester Township for 60 years and was a member of Arkess Rebekah Lodge 168.

She was a baker and cook at Imperial Leaf Tobacco plant and Royal Canadian Air Force station Aylmer, Ontario Police College and Aylmer Dairy. She operated the Sugar Bowl in downtown Aylmer, in the 1960s. It was in one of several buildings destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Pettit is survived by a son Ron and wife Marilyn of Springfield; grandchildren, Mary Payne, Terry Pettit and wife Roseanne, all of St. Thomas, Charlene Barletta and husband Paul of Port Stanley; great-grandchildren Michael, Richard, Jason, and Lacey Payne, Matthew and Justin Pettit, Jeffrey and Brendan Barletta.

She is also survived by three brothers, Robert Arrand and wife Dorothy, Cecil Arrand and wife Marcelle, Stanley Arrand, all of London; sisters Emily Arrand of London, Myrt Inder and Norman Harris of Thedford, Ruby West of Hamilton and Daphne Layman of Tillsonburg.

She was predeceased by her husband Gordon Ross Pettit in 1981; four brothers, George, Harold, Donald and Charles Arrand; three sisters, Audrey Stebbens, Pearl and Edna Arrand.

The Rev. Richard Fairchild, of St. John's United Church, Springfield, conducted the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Dorchester Union Cemetery.

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## Ella May Ostrander



**Ella May Ostrander**

A funeral for Ella May Ostrander, 76, of St. Thomas, a mother and homemaker formerly of Kingsmill, was held Saturday in Aylmer.

She died at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday, June 12, 1996.

Mrs. Ostrander was born in Malahide Township on October 24, 1919 to the late Jack and Minerva (Brown) Scott.

She lived most of her life in Kingsmill and was a member of Church of Christ Disciples in Mapleton.

She was a member, Past Noble Grand, and Past District Deputy of Monta Rebekah Lodge 239, Belmont, and past president of Kingsmill-Mapleton Women's Institute.

She is survived by two sons, Wilfred Smith and wife Sylvia, Murray Smith and

wife Dawn, all of St. Thomas; a daughter, Corine Manary and husband Michael of St. Thomas; a step-son, Tom Ostrander and wife Sherri of RR7 Aylmer; two step-daughters, Colleen Corey and husband Randy of RR1 Belmont, Sharon Spore and friend Del Morris of RR7 Aylmer;

Four sisters, Ruby Packer and husband Albert, Frances Bruce and husband Clifford, all of Woodstock, Marion Matthews and husband of Simcoe, Pat Leach and husband Don of Brownsville; two brothers, Jack Scott and wife Marguerite of Delhi, Norman Scott and wife Cindy of B.C.; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, step-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her first husband Harvey Stewart Smith in 1976, her second husband, Orrie Lorne Ostrander in 1988; two sons, Gary and Jimmy Smith, two brothers Ray and Neil Scott.

The Rev. Richard Meyer, of Church of Christ Disciples, conducted the service at H. A. Kebbel Funeral Home with burial in Aylmer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Joe Manary, Archie Ross, Randy Corey, George Lane, Archie Leach, Ron Scott.

Flowerbearers were Stephanie Manary and Stacey Smith.

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