DONALD PETER MCLEAN  
15 October 1925 - 1 August 1999  

by Mary McLean

Don was born in Brampton, Ontario, where he lived all his life except when serving as a wireless mechanic in the RCAF during World War II.

From 1951 to 1954 he articled with Arthur H. Death. He joined the firm after passing his OLS exams and was given the number 865. Don, Ernie Biason and Bruce McMurchy formed a partnership and purchased Art's practice in 1962. Eighteen years later they decided to dissolve the partnership, and Don entered private practice in Brampton.

Don loved surveying and was held in high regard by all his colleagues. His crews knew him affectionately as "Doc." When family camping across Canada, he was always quick to point out survey monuments or give a friendly wave to survey crews spotted en route.

One of Don's many joys while surveying was to come across a herd of cattle. He laughed whenever he told the story of the time he was traversing along a fence line. He winked at a cow grazing nearby, and the cow winked right back at him! Hardships on the job didn't seem to faze him. I remember one time when I went out with him to double check some measurements. After working our way through a field of dense vines and nettles I said, "Never again!" but he never complained. On cold miserable days in the winter the men on his crew would stomp about trying to stay warm, while they marvelled at "Doc" making fine, detailed field notes without a hat or gloves on.

Don created an interest in surveying for our children. Paul worked eight summers for his father, developed a surveyor's eye for details, and managed to save enough money to put himself through university. Dianne sometimes helped her Dad in the field on weekends. She came to prefer another of Don's regular haunts, the Peel County Registry Office, where she worked for a few happy summers.

Throughout his life Don was an active member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Brampton. He served as an elder for over 40 years, taught Sunday school, and represented the congregation at regional Presbytery meetings. He was also a keen supporter of the Canadian Bible Society.
Don enjoyed listening to music on the stereo, from beautiful Bach organ works to the sounds of swing and jazz played by Duke Ellington or Charlie Barnett. Another passion was riding roller coasters, especially the Minebuster at Canada's Wonderland.

Don retired from the Association in 1993. He died peacefully with family by his side on August 1, 1999. He is survived by his wife Mary (Maclean) whom he married in 1951; son Paul, daughter-in-law Mary Beth and grandsons Andrew, Peter and Mark (of Toronto); daughter Dianne, son-in-law Bruce Ollerenshaw and grandsons Christopher and Keith (of Calgary).

Don was a loving husband, father and grandfather—a warm and caring person. He is dearly remembered by all his family and friends.

MALCOLM CHARLES SIDNEY PHILLIPS
(June 17th 1928 – April 22nd 1999)

By William Yates, O.L.S. (Ret.)

Malcolm C. Phillips, as he was known to fellow surveyors was born on June 17th 1928 to Florence Dimes and Sidney Phillips, in London, England.

He attended Rosendale Road School as a boy and took violin lessons, under protest. He was the second of three children, one son and two daughters.

In 1939, at the outbreak of war, Malcolm and his two sisters were evacuated to Newdigate in Surrey with their schools. His mother, wanting to keep the younger sister with her, took her back to London, where she later became a nurse. Malcolm 11, and Elsie 13, stayed with the local Squire, Mr. Royce, a land surveyor.

In 1940, Malcolm left to attend Wilson’s Grammar School, a boarding school where he stayed until 1945.

Elsie’s school was relocated in Dorking, nearby.

In 1945, probably influenced by Mr. Royce who often took him to work, Malcolm worked as a junior in a Quantity Surveyors office in London until 1946.