John Celeste Moore was born in Lorneville, Ontario.

In 1942, he worked on the Alaska Highway where he developed a great appreciation for the great outdoors.

John joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1943, graduating as a wireless navigator. After the war, he worked for Ontario Hydro on a survey crew and became interested in land surveying.

During the early fifties, he moved to Niagara Falls to work on the hydro electric project. John left Ontario Hydro to apprentice with (Colonel) Barry Watson Surveying, later receiving his Certificate to survey on June 1st 1955, O.L.S. (882) and opened his practice in Niagara Falls.

Newmarket became John’s permanent home in 1956, where he established a flourishing survey business. During this time, John, with his wife Jean, raised four boys who at one time or another helped their Dad in the field carrying bars, cutting a swath through the bush or manning the transit.

John’s hobbies and interests varied from hunting and camping to house designs, car restoration and carpentry, but his love for the Lord was the mainstay of his faith and strength, during which time, he was actively involved in church projects and the Gideon’s of Canada.

John retired in 1989, yet his love for surveying never diminished and many a conversation evolved around the days of setting bars in mosquito infested bogs in summer and snowshoeing through waist high snow to find a fence line in winter.

During the summer of 2001, John was diagnosed with cancer; on October 11th he went to be with his Lord.

He leaves his wife Jean, four sons, Doug, Gary, Richard and Edward, yet his love for the Lord has left us with a “Blessed Assurance”.