

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.

His military service began that year and he served in the Royal Artillery as a surveyor in England and Germany until 1948.

In 1949, he emigrated to Canada, settled in Toronto, and entered into Articles with H.C. Sewell, O.L.S. until 1953.

From 1953 to 1955, he worked as a Survey Party Chief for Horton and Haynes, O.L.S., Toronto.

He received his Certificate as an Ontario Land Surveyor on May 20th 1954.

Malcolm met his future wife, a Finnish nurse in the boarding house where they both lived. On November 11th 1955 Malcolm and Aune Liisa Voutilainen, R.N. were married. They had no family but were both fond of animals and birds.

Malcolm's survey experience was varied:

1955	Surveying on the Newfoundland Railway
1955 – 1956	Survey Party Chief, Metropolitan Toronto Roads Department
1956 – 1958	In private practice in Toronto
1958 – 1969	Chief Surveyor, Metropolitan Toronto Works Department
1969 – 1988	In private practice in Toronto and Stouffville. Surveys for pipelines in Northern Ontario, River Crossings over the St. Mary's River in Michigan and Ontario. General Surveys in Southern Ontario.
1988 – 1990	Surveys in the Oshawa area
1990 – 1992	Surveys in Northern Ontario
1992	He retired due to ill health
1994	He joined C.P.S. now Group 4 as a security guard at the Pickering Treatment Plant until April 1999.

Malcolm was a warm, friendly man who loved nature, the outdoors and music. His interests ran from bird-watching with Liisa to gardening, landscaping, an aviary and with the family, the family tree, mashing the potatoes at family dinners and a liking for music of all kinds, especially opera. His nieces and nephews called him "The Muffin Man" because he said his winnings, when he played cards, were his "muffin money".

He was faithful in his rounds and guard post duty, but called in sick a day or so before April 22nd 1999 when he passed away. He was cremated and his ashes spread in a well loved wooded area at Magnetawan.

He is survived by his wife Liisa and sisters Elsie and Jean with fond memories. These ladies graciously supplied the information for this biography.
