



**GUENTHER RUEB**  
(1922 - 1985)

Guenther Rueb died suddenly of a heart attack on October 30, 1985 at age 63. He was born on July 25, 1922 in Mainz-Kostheim, Germany. After completing his elementary schooling, he worked on his uncle's farm before enrolling in an Agricultural School at age 16.

He enlisted as a paratrooper in the Second World War. He was captured in France at the end of the war and was sent to a prisoner of war camp in Manchester, England. While a prisoner, he was allowed to work for an English land surveyor, thus gaining invaluable experience with feet and inches, not to mention chains and links.

Upon his release in 1948, he returned to Germany where he worked as a supervisor for a construction firm. When plans were made to rebuild the German army, he decided to immigrate to Canada. He arrived in April 1952, originally finding work with Jack Leach, a Cooksville surveyor.

In 1953 he began work with Harvey Hall of Kitchener, remaining with him until 1968 when he set up his own private practice. During this period he studied evenings and weekends to obtain first a Grade 13 standing, followed by the various courses required by the Board of Examiners, finally obtaining his OLS in 1966.

In 1983, he formed a partnership with his eldest son Erich incorporating as Guenther Rueb Surveying Limited. With his wife Marguerite Mill of Kitchener, he had four children, Erich, Kurt, Rosemary and Karl.

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