

James Sneath, OLS# 927
April 11, 1928 – December 17, 2016



Born April 11 1928 - died December 17 2016 at Midland Ontario where he could view Georgian Bay every day. He and Ruth Cain were married Sept 6 1952 and settled in Bolton where their two sons. Owen and Doug attended public school.

James attended public school from a farm north east of Toronto during the Depression years. Along with his brother and mother they moved into Toronto where he continued at Palmerston Avenue School and Harbord Collegiate.

He joined Scouting and was a leader over several years. About 1950 he apprenticed to Ed Cavell as part of Browne & Cavell surveyors. Following marriage he gained certification as an Ontario Land Surveyor on October 17, 1956. He carried on a private practice close to 20 years when he retired. Occasionally he continued working on corrosion surveys. One from the Manitoba/Ontario border eastward to North Bay as well as shorter assignments in Quebec and southern Ontario.

While living at Bolton he was President of the Bolton Rotary Club and had become a member of True Blue Masonic Lodge at Bolton and was Master of the Lodge in 1970. In October of 2016 he was awarded a 60 year pin from True Blue. During residence at Bolton he was Steward at the United Church and Trustee on the School Board.

In 1975, with his wife Ruth they sailed to Bahamas living on the boat 10 months. Other visits were made to Norway, Denmark, Australia, New Zealand and several times to Great Britain and extensive tours around United States and into Mexico.

Submitted by Ruth Sneath