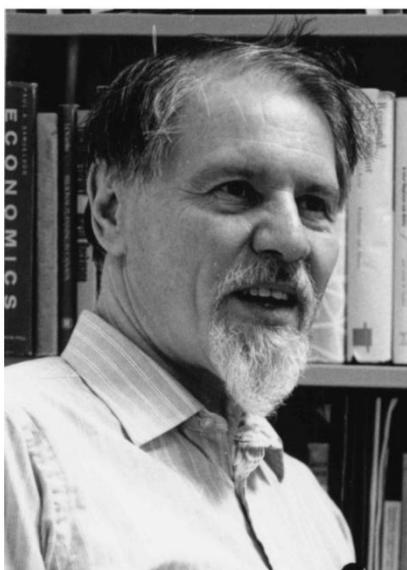


Godfrey Lancelot Spragge OLS# 885
January 4, 1929 – May 4, 2003



Godfrey Lancelot Spragge OLS, MCIP was born in Toronto. He was educated at Trinity College, University of Toronto and Cornell University, where he received the Masters in Planning Degree.

Godfrey articulated with Harold Howden and obtained his commission in 1955. From 1955 to 1960 worked as a land surveyor with the Department of Highways. During the 1960s, Spragge became increasingly active as an urban planner in southwestern Ontario, eventually rising to become Deputy Director of Planning at the City of London. In 1970, he was appointed a founding professor of the School of

Urban and Regional Planning at Queen's University. Professor Spragge taught at Queen's for nearly a quarter century, conducted research on heritage preservation and was editor of the national planning journal *Plan Canada* in the 1970s. In retirement, his passion for social justice led him to become an election observer and witness for peace during the civil wars in Guatemala.

Godfrey was married to the urban historian Shirley (Cox) Spragge for 41 years, until her death in 1995. They left two sons, John and Michael Spragge.

Biography provided by David Gordon, Director of the Queen's School of Urban and Regional Planning and one of Professor Spragge's former students.

Godfrey Lancelot Spragge died suddenly, at Kingston General Hospital on Sunday, May 4, 2003, in the presence of his sons John and Michael. He leaves behind a loving family, a circle of friends who shared his passionate concern for peace and social justice, and who will miss him very much. He was married to Shirley (nee Cox) for forty-one years. They were a couple and best friends for fifty years before her death in 1995.

Born in Toronto on January 4, 1929, he studied at Trinity College, Toronto, and worked as a land surveyor and Urban Planner before obtaining his Masters of Planning from Cornell University. He then went on to help found the School of Urban and Regional Planning at Queen's University, Kingston, where he taught for twenty-five years.

Following his retirement from Queen's, he trained with Project Accompaniment to serve as an election observer and witness for peace in Guatemala. His passion for social justice led him to the Early Years Coalition and Better Beginnings, Kingston Electors On Line, and the Kingston Faith and Justice Coalition.

He derived great strength from his involvement with men's support groups and great pleasure from piano lessons and singing with the Kingston Choral Society and Open Voices Choir. His spiritual journey began with the Anglican Church and led to the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers).

Since the death of his wife, he found great joy with his many friends. He is survived by his sisters Elizabeth (J.D. Watson and their three children) of Belfast and Monica of Toronto; sons John (Allison MacDuffee) and Michael (Lynne Foran) of Toronto. He particularly delighted in his grandchildren Kathleen and Liam.

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