

ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS



WILLIAM CHARLES STANTON O.L.S.

Bill Stanton was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba on April 21, 1920 to William Wyman Stanton of London, Ontario and Sylvia Heale Thorne of Mitchell, Ontario.

Following his education at Regal Road Public School and Western Technical School in Toronto, Bill joined the army in 1940 serving with the 48th Highlanders, Lanark and Renfrew Scottish Regiment and the Perth Regiment, in Italy and North West Europe. Although he was discharged as a sergeant, he rejoined the militia in 1947 and was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the 1st Locating Regiment of the Royal Canadian Artillery and subsequently retired from the military as a Captain with the Princess of Wales Own Regiment in 1965 while living in Kingston.

In 1947, Bill started his career with the Department of Highways, Ontario and worked in a variety of positions with Land Surveys. He played a major part in the expansion of the Department's activities by training new employees in the fundamentals of legal survey mathematics and drafting. This was a labour of love with Bill. He transferred to the Department's Eastern Region Office at Kingston in 1960 as an Inspector of Surveys, having articulated to H. S. Howden in 1954 and having received his Commission as an Ontario Land Surveyor in 1957.

Bill's social activities varied and included many functions of the various regiments to which he belonged, the Royal Military Institute in Toronto, the Royal Canadian Legion and in his later years the Kingston Towners Square Dance Club. He was a dedicated elder of the Edith Rankin United Church in Kingston.

Following several years of ill health, Bill was hospitalized in Kingston and passed away on May 27, 1976, to be deeply mourned by his wife Madeline, children Bruce and Dianne and missed by his many friends who greatly appreciated his humour, his dedication and sincerity in all his endeavours.

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