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Herbert Joseph Grennell



GRENNELL, Herbert Joseph - *"I will arise now, and go to Innisfree. . ."*
The Lake Isle of Innisfree by W.B. Yeats
 Herb died peacefully on March 29, 2014 in his 83rd year. Born in Dublin Ireland, on March 27, 1931, he was the eldest son of Herbert William and Cecilia Mary Grennell (Hatch) of Dublin; Elder brother of Ann Johnston, Aiden Grennell and Betty Grennell (deceased). The loving husband of Eleanor Grennell (Alkenbrack) and devoted father to Paul (Daphne) and Katherine (Bernie) and grandfather to Erin, Haley, Megan, and Claire. Herbert enjoyed a distinguished career in medicine and in anesthesia. He graduated from the National University of Ireland in 1954

and was named a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1963. He also obtained his Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology in 1968. He served as an Anesthetist at Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston in the 1960's and at Kingston General Hospital from 1970 to 1996. He was Associate Professor of Medicine with Queen's University Medical School. He also served as President of the Medical Staff at Kingston General Hospital 1978-79 and as Chairman of Ontario Anesthesiologists (Ontario Medical Association) from 1975-76. While serving as an anesthetist and teacher at Kingston General Hospital he had a role in the development of the daycare and outpatient procedures at the hospital as well as serving on the admissions panel for Medical School at Queen's University. Following retirement from Queen's, he practiced for five years as one of the regular anesthetic staff at Moose Factory Weeneebayko General Hospital. Herb loved to golf with friends and family. He also loved being on the water, boating on Lake Ontario and at his cottage lake, and in the winter snowmobiling there. He was an avid car enthusiast and owned many favourite cars throughout his life. Although he didn't grow up in the high tech era, he became a very knowledgeable and keen computer buff. He always lived on the cutting edge of new inventions, particularly home computers, cameras, and surround sound systems. As pastimes, he enjoyed crossword puzzles, collecting stamps and old coins, and model railroad building. He loved to travel and always planned a yearly trip to somewhere he wanted to see. Herb loved to tell stories about his interesting background and, at any dinner party or social event he attended, he held everyone's attention. After years of taking care of others, Herb spent the last year and a half being taken care of by the wonderful staff on Montreal 4 at Providence Manor. Sincere thanks and appreciation to all the staff for their commitment to offering the best care possible to the residents of Providence Manor. *I will arise and go now, for always night and day I hear*

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lake water lapping with low sounds by the shore; While I stand on the roadway, or on the pavement grey, I hear it in the deep heart's core. The Lake Isle of Innisfree by W.B. Yeats Visitation will be held at the **JAMES REID FUNERAL HOME**, 1900 John Counter Blvd., Kingston, ON, on Wednesday April 2nd, from 2:00 - 4:00 pm and 7:00 - 9:00pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on April 3rd at 10:00 am at **ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL** (279 Johnson St., Kingston). Reception to follow, at James Reid Funeral Home, Reception Centre. In Lieu of flowers please consider a donation to University Hospitals Kingston Foundation (Providence Manor Site). 12734043

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Harvey & Shirley Eves
Monday, March 31, 2014
Thinking of you Eleanor, at this sad time.....



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In Sympathy

Posted by Frances Harkness (neighbour) On Wednesday, April 2, 2014
Our thoughts are with you Eleanor at this sad time.

Fran and David Cameron

With Prayers

Posted by Connie Wyllie Naftel (former neighbour) On Wednesday, April 2, 2014
Dear Mrs Grennell, Paul and Katherine and family,

My thought and prayers are for you today and in the coming days and weeks. I have many happy memories of spending time next door at your home and with your family. I can still picture Dr Grennell's study and playing downstairs and out in the pool and on the swingset.

Sincere sympathy

Posted by Marion Waitson (Napanee neighbour of Eleanor) On Tuesday, April 1, 2014
Sorry Eleanor to read of the loss of your husband. May he rest in peace

Our deepest Sympathy

Posted by James & Shirley Henderson (Friends) On Tuesday, April 1, 2014
So sorry to hear of Herb's death and wanted you to know our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. We are presently in the Pinehurst area of North Carolina. Again our deepest Sympathy.

Sincere Sympathy

Posted by Yvonne [Quinn] Way (H.D.H. '65) On Tuesday, April 1, 2014
Eleanor and family, My sincerest sympathy on the loss of your dear husband, father and loved one. May God give you strength and comfort during this most difficult time.

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