

***Expression of Condolence for
Raymond Vandette by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Mayor John Tory

Seconded by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Raymond Vandette on October 2, 2021.

Raymond was born in Matheson, raised in Hearst and moved to the City of Toronto in 1944. He was a proud student at Our Lady of Lourdes and Buchanan Business College while competing in junior hockey. On September 11, 1970, Raymond married his loving girlfriend Jean and the two remained happily married for over 51 years.

Raymond was widely known for his love for animals and as an advocate for their well-being. He was proud to have been a long-time real estate speculator and was passionate about interior design where he was the recipient of three awards. Throughout his adult life Raymond always preached that “empty space is good design.” He also imported distinct design furniture while enjoying his many hobbies including his love for cars.

Raymond passed away at home at the age of 86 following a battle with leukemia. He is predeceased by his parents Margaret and Isadore Vandette, sisters Irene, Ruth and Mabel and brother Gary Boucher. Raymond was the loving husband to Jean, caring father to Kelly, Vanessa and Justin and proud grandfather to Skylar, Connor, Quincey, Paige and Shelby. Also, Raymond is survived by his brother Jim Boucher of Kapuskasing. He will be deeply missed and remembered fondly.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Raymond Vandette's community, friends and family.

December 15, 2021