

***Expression of Condolence for  
Jean Elizabeth Rider by Toronto City Council***

**Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stephen Holyday**

**Seconded by: Councillor Mark Grimes**

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Jean Elizabeth Rider on August 15, 2021, aged 90.

Jean was a strong, smart woman with a core of kindness and a love of information and current events and, maybe most of all, animals. Jean Wood was born October 5, 1930 and grew up on Roncesvalles Avenue. Jean was an excellent student at Parkdale Collegiate and the University of Toronto's Victoria College, earning academic medals while studying modern languages. Jean loved the "U of T" and "Vic" and, for a time, worked for professors including Harold Innis.

In 1961, Jean and her husband Don moved to Etobicoke. Jean raised four children -- Patricia, Joanne, Sheila and David. She worked at Etobicoke libraries, returning to the University of Toronto in her 50s to earn a Masters of Library Science. Jean loved library life and worked into her 70s. A lively spirit, at age 70 she took up rollerblading.

Jean is survived by her children, Patricia, Joanne, Sheila, and David, along with her 5 grandchildren. Jean has left a strong legacy behind for others to carry on and will be deeply missed by family and friends.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Jean's family.

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