

***Expression of Condolence for
George (Joris) Alois Denys by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor Paul Ainslie

Seconded by: Mayor Olivia Chow

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of George (Joris) Alois Denys on Saturday, June 15, 2024.

Mr. Denys was a remarkable man who leaves behind a legacy of dedication to his family, his community, and the agricultural industry.

Mr. Denys was the beloved husband of 60 years to Julia Ouellette Denys and a devoted family man. He was the loving father of Stephen Denys, Janet Ainslie, and David Denys. Mr. Denys cherished his role as a friend, mentor, and confidant to his children and grandchildren.

Mr. Denys's lifelong dedication to agriculture is commendable. His significant contributions to the industry, first in Parkhill and then in the former Raleigh and Chatham Townships, will not be forgotten.

Mr. Denys's commitment to public service is an inspiration. His years serving as a Township Councillor, Deputy Reeve, and the last Reeve of the former Raleigh Township demonstrate his dedication to his community.

Furthermore, Mr. Denys's vision and leadership in establishing some of the first crop insurance programs, grower education events, and other initiatives resulted in his well-deserved induction into the Kent Agriculture Hall of Fame.

Toronto City Council is grateful for Mr. Denys's lifelong contributions.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to the family of Mr. George Denys.

June 26, 2024