

PATTERSON, Allan Bryson (Al) [UNTD YORK '43] (1922 - 2009) Age: 87



ALLAN BRYSON PATTERSON Died peacefully at York Central Hospital [Richmond Hill, ON] in his 88th year with his family by his side on October 28, 2009. Allan was born June 20, 1922, in Toronto, the younger son of William and Louise. He led a full, loving and productive life following his graduation in 1945 from U of T as a P. Eng. Settling in Toronto, Al and Marg raised four children; Peter, Anne, Ted and Jane, then welcomed their respective spouses Carolyn, Betty-ann and Bob. Al was fortunate to spend time with his five grandchildren: Eric, Tyler, Scott, Michael and Erin. He also enjoyed and supported his six nephews and four nieces and his two sisters-in-law, both Shirley's. He is predeceased by his loving wife Marg, his brother Sam and his cousin Bob. Al will be missed by his dear friend and ski companion Jean Hord. He graced and touched many of our lives. Thank you for everything 'Big Al'. Friends may call on Sunday, November 1, 2009 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the R.S. Kane Funeral Home (6150 Yonge Street, at Goulding, south of Steeles). A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, November 2, 2009 at 11 a.m. in the chapel. Cremation has taken place. As an expression of sympathy, donations may be made to the Palliative Care Unit at York Central Hospital or the charity of your choice. Condolences www.rskane.ca Published in the Toronto Star on Oct. 31, 2009

Al was an original UNTD '43, having transferred over from at least one and probably more, years in the COTC. As COTC and/or UNTD was compulsory in those years, so was call-up into Active Service for the 1944 and 1945 Grads, who had to sit Selective Service Boards, which determined if and in what Service they would be attested into.

In Al's case and for most of the UNTDs, they were called up, and into the Navy.

In the July '45 Cdn Navy List, Al is shown as a Temp. Prob. SLT(E) RCNVR, O-57861, with no Seniority date, but attached to STADACONA. As things were winding down that summer after VE-Day, he probably saw little if any sea time. This in contrast to the '44 Engineering grads who did log in significant sea time.

It is worth remarking again that the success of this group of lads, with their maturity, previous COTC time and WWII service, was an important factor in the decision to continue the UNTD program post-War.

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