



## J Robin Southgate

May 2, 2023

\*\* Update, Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life for Robin on Monday, July 31, 2023. Burial will be held at 10:30am at Riverview cemetery followed by reception at the Cavanagh Reception Centre. Please RSVP to Robin's Daughter Allison before Monday, July 24, 2023 if attending at [fellnerallison@gmail.com](mailto:fellnerallison@gmail.com) \*\*\*

J Robin Southgate, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at the age of 88.

He will be remembered lovingly by his children Melody Southgate, Christopher (Alison) Southgate, Allison (Kurt) Fellner, Greg (Shannon) Southgate; their late mother Patricia; Brittany Southgate, McKenzie 'Mak' Southgate, and their mother Abigail. Cherished Grandad of Victoria (James), Carolyn (Scott), Laine, Julia, Claire, Emily, Daniella, and great grandson, Benjamin. Robin will now be reunited with his parents, Jack and Muriel Southgate, as well as his siblings Sheila, Doug (Annaliese), and Shirley (Geoff). He is survived by his dear brother Terry (Nadine) of Mexico.

Robin was a successful investment advisor for 56 years, retiring at the age of 78, in 2013. He lived by the philosophy of giving back to the community, in gratitude for all the support he received: By serving on the Wallaceburg Town Council (1970s), being a dedicated Rotarian (1961-2021), and participating

with the Scouts Canada organization (1960s-70s), he was responsible for the concept of installing sidewalks throughout Wallaceburg, the building of a seniors' residence and the high school pool, and the purchase of a camp property for the Scouts. When the Holiday Inn declared bankruptcy, Robin assembled a group of ten local businessmen, including himself, to purchase the hotel and reopen it as the Oaks Inn. He participated in WAMBO 30 years consecutively, showing the same classic boat, his beloved Shepherd 'Just Relaxing'. Robin was a faithful member of St. James Anglican Church.

While his boats were his first love, his family came a close second. Life was for living, and true to this, his life was packed with adventure. He travelled extensively and was enthralled with history, but he had a particular affinity for Ireland, England, and Cuba.

Robin's family would like to express their gratitude to all the Care Team on 4E at Riverview Gardens for the care and support given to their father over the last few years. Cremation Arrangements have been entrusted to the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg, 519-627-3231. Robin will be laid to rest at Riverview Cemetery with a Celebration of Life to take place later this summer. If you wish to give back to the community as Robin so often did, please consider donations to Rotary International or St. James Anglican Church (Wallaceburg). Cherished stories and tributes may be left for the family at [www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca](http://www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca)

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ My condolences to Allison and Kurt, Abigail and children/grandchildren and all family members. Robin was always so kind and generous to me, and did so much for his community. I have good memories of outings on the boat and social gatherings in the back yard of his home.  
Hugs and prayers to everyone. Sincerely, Mary Anne McCallum

Mary Anne McCallum - July 30, 2023 at 01:59 PM

DS

“ Sending PRAYERS for "ROBIN" we remember him to be a good man when we lived in Wallaceburg. 🙏 Larry and Deanne(DeCaluwe) Savard

Deanne Savard - July 10, 2023 at 04:40 PM

TS

“ Thoughts and prayers with all of you at this most difficult time



Tracy Shaw - July 10, 2023 at 04:36 PM

RA

“ Remember meeting Robin for the first time at Wambo and finding out we were distant cousins. He always went by my place on Lafontaine with his beautiful boat Just Relaxing. Always waved. I have missed that since he moved out of his house. My condolences to his family. He was a great person and will be greatly missed

Ruth (Gallerno) Andrews - July 10, 2023 at 10:10 AM

PJ

“ I was one of many truly fortunate people that shared time, life and experiences with Robin. Robin was a person who gave and put more into any relationship or cause than he received. His energy and zeal in the interest of others was rare. He was always positive in good or tough times, and he never stopped trying to do his best. He was very respected in the investment industry and very few reach the levels that Robin did. Robin helped me in my career and in turn my family. Our sincere condolences to all of his family and I want them to know that I am so respectful and blessed that I knew Robin.

*Peter, Veronica & Geoff Jamieson*

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**Peter Jamieson** - May 23, 2023 at 10:36 AM



*Peter, thanks for those lovely words! Dad, even with dementia, mentioned you often. He was very fond of you and respected you too.*

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**Melody Southgate** - July 10, 2023 at 05:25 PM

LD

“ Sincerest sympathies to all of Robin's family.  
*Lynn, Zach & Cody*

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**Lynn DeBot** - May 18, 2023 at 07:49 PM

BS

“ *Our Condolences to All the Family and Friends*



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**Brian and Elaine Shaw** - May 11, 2023 at 07:30 PM

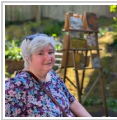
JM

“ Robin and I had enjoyed many conversations over the years which I have missed the past couple of years, and will continue to do so. What a wonderful man.

*Our condolences go out to the entire family.*

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**Jim Myers** - May 11, 2023 at 10:50 AM



*Thanks so much*

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**Melody Southgate** - May 20, 2023 at 07:17 PM

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**Allison Fellner-daughter** - May 11, 2023 at 09:19 AM

LR

“ Linda Routley lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



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**Linda Routley** - May 10, 2023 at 01:20 PM

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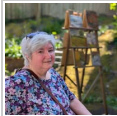
Allison Fellner-daughter - May 10, 2023 at 01:03 PM

CM

“ Cheryl Ron May lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



Cheryl & Ron May - May 09, 2023 at 08:47 PM



Thank you

Melody Southgate - May 10, 2023 at 07:33 PM

CC

“ CURRIER CHIROPRACTIC lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



CURRIER CHIROPRACTIC - May 09, 2023 at 08:46 AM

ED

“ *Sincere condolences*



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**Emer and Dale Dudley** - May 08, 2023 at 09:25 PM

JE

“ *Sending condolences to the Southgate family.  
Sincerely,  
Dave & Jean Elliott  
& staff of Wallaceburg Automotive*



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**Jean Elliott** - May 08, 2023 at 11:13 AM

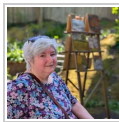
SC

“ *So sorry for your loss.*



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**Sherry & David Crowe** - May 06, 2023 at 08:44 PM



*Thank you*

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**Melody Southgate** - May 20, 2023 at 07:19 PM

AR

“Our sincere condolences to the Southgate family. Robin was a good, true friend to my father and our family for years. We will cherish the memories of good times shared together, of the many outings on his wooden boats and of his good spirit and 'joie de vivre'. May he continue to sail in his next life and may his spirit continue to live within you. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult period.”

*Allan Michael Rose & Joanne Leclerc*

Allan M. Rose - May 06, 2023 at 03:41 PM

GP

*May memories & the love of family surround you and give you strength and peace in the days ahead. Sending you warm hugs and healing prayers. Gloria & Murray Pegg*

Gloria Pegg - May 08, 2023 at 08:27 PM

AF

*Thanks so much Gloria & Murray❤️*

Allison Fellner-daughter - May 10, 2023 at 01:01 PM



*Thank you, Gloria and Murray.*

Melody Southgate - May 20, 2023 at 07:20 PM

BL

“Bernice Renaud Leslie lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



Bernice Renaud Leslie - May 06, 2023 at 01:13 PM

DD

“ To the Southgate Family, and extended family, and particularly our friend and colleague Allison (Fellner)...heartfelt condolences on the passing of Robin from all of us at St. John Ambulance Southwestern Ontario Region. Allison's passion and caring for her father over the past couple of years has been nothing short of inspirational. Pro Fide, Pro Utilitate Hominum. Don Denne, OMM, MStJ, MSM, CD. Chair, Board of Directors.

Don Denne - May 06, 2023 at 01:07 PM

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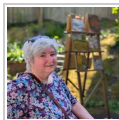
Thank you Don.

Allison Fellner-daughter - May 11, 2023 at 09:12 AM

JD

“ Robin was very much a family man, I'm very sorry for your loss, you will surely miss him but can remember many happy times with him.

Jackie Dalgety - May 06, 2023 at 10:17 AM



Thanks, Jackie

Melody Southgate - May 20, 2023 at 07:21 PM

JC

“ John Clark lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



John Clark - May 06, 2023 at 08:34 AM

TS

“ Tracy Shaw lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



Tracy Shaw - May 06, 2023 at 08:27 AM

GF

“ Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of J Robin Southgate



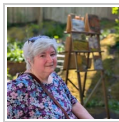
Gerry Flynn - May 06, 2023 at 08:27 AM

LB

“ Our condolences to Robins family and friends. Wallaceburg has lost another of its influential community patrons.



Lance Babcock - May 06, 2023 at 08:23 AM



Thanks for your kind words.

Melody Southgate - May 20, 2023 at 07:21 PM

BC

“ Our sincere condolences to Robins family, so very sorry for your loss...



Beth & Steve Coopman - May 05, 2023 at 08:27 PM

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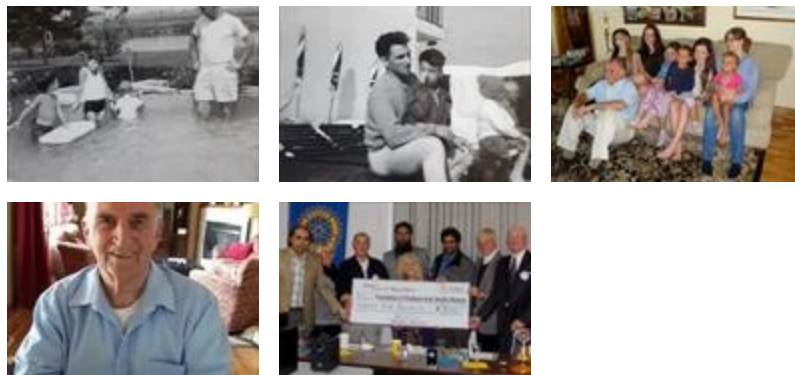
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Allison Fellner-daughter - May 05, 2023 at 06:21 PM

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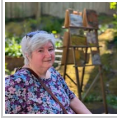


Allison Fellner-daughter - May 05, 2023 at 06:04 PM

HD

“ *I will miss my visits with Robin. We were friends who attended the Rotary Club. We both enjoyed life, boating and relaxing by the pool. You will be missed Robin.*

heather dunlop - May 05, 2023 at 05:10 PM



*Thank you*

Melody Southgate - May 20, 2023 at 07:22 PM

PG

“ *Our deepest sympathy and condolences are extended to all members of Robin's family on their loss. Robin was a very close friend for decades and we will always remember all the memories of our relationship with Robin and his wonderful family.*



peter/judy granger - May 05, 2023 at 04:42 PM



*Thank you, Pete and Judy*

Melody Southgate - May 20, 2023 at 07:23 PM

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Allison Fellner-daughter - May 05, 2023 at 02:11 PM

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Allison Fellner-daughter - May 05, 2023 at 11:32 AM

JR

*My sincere condolences to Robin's family. I worked for Robin at the Oaks Inn for many years and remember well the great times we had on our staff outings on his boat. So many many laughs and such great times with he and Pat and watching the kids grow. Thinking of all of you at this sad time.*

*Joyce Ritchie (Bennett)*

Joyce Ritchie - May 06, 2023 at 10:18 AM

JH

“ *My sympathies to all of Robin's family. Robin was a dear friend of mine and my parents, Eva and Bud Patterson, and I have many fond memories of visits and chats. RIP Robin. -- Janice Hatt*

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**Janice Hatt** - May 05, 2023 at 11:13 AM



*Dad always loved your parents*

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**Melody Southgate** - May 20, 2023 at 07:24 PM