



Jean Carscallen

June 3, 2013

Sadly, the family of Jean Shirley Carscallen of Wallaceburg, Ontario announces her passing on June 3rd, 2013 at Chatham Campus, C.K.H.A. Born on July 4th, 1916, in Comber, Ontario, Jean was the daughter of the late Flora M. and Lawrence J. Dean and was predeceased by her beloved husband, Charlton A. Carscallen, Q.C., with whom she shared a lifetime of joy flowing from their shared love of classical music, her dear daughter Deane Steel, and her two brothers, Ralph and Grant Dean. She is survived by her two grandsons Cameron (Cheryl) Steel of Chatham and Larry Steel of Guelph, and her great grandchildren Tom, Samantha, Matt and Alex Steel. An extremely gifted pianist, Jean started her career with C.B.C. Radio in Windsor, Ottawa and Toronto, becoming the chief pianist for trans Canada radio broadcasts, and the accompanist for the famous "Four Gentlemen from Studio A", touring across Canada and giving concerts before and during World War II. Moving to Wallaceburg in 1952, she enriched the lives of generations of her piano students and garnered a stellar reputation as accompanist, organist and choir director with the Chatham Glee Club, St. James Anglican Church and Trinity United Church, Wallaceburg and Park Street United, Chatham. For many years, in the summer months she entertained in the main dining room of the elegant Bigwin Inn in Muskoka. She took great joy accompanying the rich baritone voice of her husband Charlton during the many recitals and concerts they performed together. Her love of animals was legendary and instead of flowers, she asked that any donations be directed to the Society for the

Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Cremation has occurred and a memorial service will be held on Friday, June 7 at 11:00 a.m. at the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street, Wallaceburg, with visitation one hour before the ceremony. Online tributes may be left at www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca

Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jean Carscallen



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - June 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Jean Carscallen

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ Ahhhhh Jean, my first piano teacher in the mid 50s. You infused me with the love of music. Play on where ever you are in the realm of angels.

Willem Anton Hart

Anton Hart - September 11, 2013 at 11:13 PM

TW

“ While on deliveries to various addresses, one of my favourite places was Sydenham Residence. Seeing familiar faces such as Marjorie Zavitz in the front sitting room, made me realize how precious our time is, and taking some time to visit Jean Martin and Jean and remembering some great people, places, and events with them, made me feel privileged to have known them. I ran into Jean and Charlton in London, England, in Fortnum and Masons Dept. Store many years ago. They were there enjoying some concerts and plays. I myself was seeing as many plays as I could fit in, running from matinee to evening performances with some Pub Grub to sustain myself. Many theatres then served tea in tea cups at intermission, how decent I thought, and grand. My last visit she apologized for not getting up to greet me but recognized my voice.... these wonderful ladies and so many more of the residents made me aware and I know, how lucky I was, for them to have spent their precious time with me, sharing a little memory of something they thought of. I shall miss my short visits with Jean.
Ted Westbrook

Ted Westbrook - June 08, 2013 at 01:31 PM

SL

“ **STEPHEN J. LIDDLE** lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen



STEPHEN J. LIDDLE - June 08, 2013 at 12:05 AM

MG

“ Michele Garraway lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen



Michele Garraway - June 06, 2013 at 08:00 AM

LC

“ My condolences to Jean's family. She was my piano teacher for many years. I was always in awe of her marvelous talent. She would tell me about some of her experiences as a pianist on live radio and I was amazed that I was in the presence of a "star". Her beloved grand piano keys are now silenced, but I will always see and hear her hands flying up and down the keyboard. Play for the angels, Jean! Sincerely, Lorraine (MacNally) Chambers.

Lorraine (MacNally) Chambers - June 05, 2013 at 10:47 PM

SM

I also was a piano student of Jean Carscallen, and Lorraine all of your comments sum things up so beautifully.

After my lesson Charlton would often enter the dining area, where the grand piano was located, pull a score from an opera off the shelf, open it for Jean, and the sights and sounds of her playing, and him singing were nothing short of pure beauty, power, and true musical brilliance.

Her reflections of her years as Organist, and Charlton as the Choirmaster of the Park Street United Church, were the main inspiration for me wanting to study the pipe organ, an instrument I love, practise, and play to this day.

After my mother passed away, I visited Jean in Wallaceburg, and I'll treasure that moment, along with my seven years of private piano lessons at her home, in my heart forever.

Jean, you were a wonderful teacher, a gracious lady, and a brilliant pianist, and your musical spirit will live in the hearts of countless people forever.

Stephen J. Liddle (Don Mills, Ontario)

STEPHEN J. LIDDLE (DON MILLS) - June 08, 2013 at 12:49 AM

BT

“ *Barb Thornton lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen*



Barb Thornton - June 05, 2013 at 07:41 PM

EJ

“ Eric And Sandra Johnston sent a virtual gift in memory of Jean Carscallen



Eric and Sandra Johnston - June 05, 2013 at 05:57 PM

LB

“ Linda Belanger lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen



Linda Belanger - June 05, 2013 at 04:03 PM

SZ

“ Scott And Sandra Zavitz lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen



Scott and Sandra Zavitz - June 05, 2013 at 11:23 AM

SS

“ Susan Soney lit a candle in memory of Jean Carscallen



Susan Soney - June 05, 2013 at 10:54 AM

JC

“ One of my fondest early teen years is being at Aunt Jean and Uncle Charlton's home, sitting by the pool after a lunchtime swim. Aunt Jean would make us tomatoes with vinegar and chive, cold sandwiches and lemonade. We would all sit and relax together in the sun. It was one of the happiest time of day while did my summertime Wallaceburg visits.

Jennifer Carscallen - June 05, 2013 at 10:53 AM