

Respected City appointee Allan Randles, dead at 71

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Allan Randles, whose name was synonymous with Streetsville and with Mississauga's Committee of Adjustment, died this week.

Randles, 71, died Sunday after a battle with cancer and was buried in Oakville Wednesday. Mayor Hazel McCallion gave the eulogy.

Randles was an original member of Mississauga's committee of adjustment when the municipality became a City in 1974. An engineer who had worked for both Scarborough and Toronto Township, Randles served with Streetsville's planning committee and committee of adjustment prior to his service with Mississauga.

He resigned from the committee of adjustment and the regional land division committee after 15 years in Dec. 1989 but returned from June-December last year to fill out a term for a member who resigned. Randles was chairman of Peel's land division committee, which reviews severance applications, for three years.

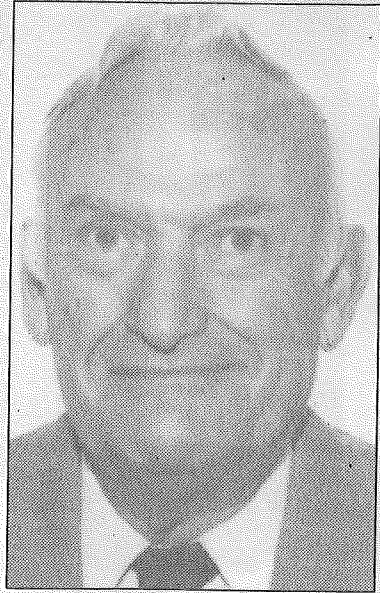
John Keyser, the last remaining member of the City's original committee of adjustment and its cur-

rent chairman, said Randles did "a tremendous job" providing his engineering expertise to the body. A very dedicated member who scrupulously prepared for the hearings and would bring out copious longhand notes during the meetings, Randles was "an inspired individual" his friend said. His work as a citizen appointee to the committee, which deals with a wide variety of applications for changes to the zoning bylaw, "was his hobby" recalled Keyser.

"He had a lot to do with the administration and development of one of the best committees in the province of Ontario," noted the chairman. Randles was a strong supporter of rendering committee decisions in public following a hearing, something which only about half the committees of adjustment in Ontario do.

Randles almost always provided detailed reasoning for whatever position he took on an application, explaining carefully why he favored or opposed it.

Born in Midland, Randles was a Second World War veteran who returned to university to get his



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engineering degree after 1945. He and his wife Agnes, who were to celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary on the day he was buried, have one son Glen and four grandchildren. Randles was buried in Oakville.