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NHH's Canada Flag at half-mast on Monday, June 3rd in honour of deceased NHH Auxiliary volunteers, 2018/19

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, Monday, June 3rd, 2019—The Canada flag outside the main entrance at Northumberland Hills Hospital is lowered today in honour of the dedicated NHH Auxiliary volunteers who passed away in the last year.

In conjunction with a reading of these names at the NHH Auxiliary's Annual General Meeting, held last week, this new annual tradition will recognize the exceptional commitment of Auxiliary volunteers throughout the hospital. Auxiliary members gave more than 42,000 hours of their time in 2018/19, providing the necessary support that helps keep this hospital going. This generosity of spirit lives on in the hundreds of active volunteers who continue to support NHH each and every day. Thank you, NHH Auxiliary, for all you do for NHH and the patients and families we serve.

In 2019 we remember the following:

Deceased Auxiliary Members – 2018/19

- ANN BAXTER Joined Auxiliary – 2002
 16 Years of Service Deceased – October 22, 2018
- MARJORIE COMERFORD Joined Auxiliary – 2004
 13 Years of Service Deceased – December 27, 2018
- JEAN CUNNINGHAM Joined Auxiliary – 1983 35 Years of Service Deceased – July 21, 2018
- MARG DENNIS Joined Auxiliary – 2000

14 Years of Service Deceased – September 8, 2018

- MARY JUBENVILLE Joined Auxiliary – 2015
 3 Years of Service Deceased – June 23, 2018
- CONNIE SHERWIN Joined Auxiliary – 2003
 15 Years of Service Deceased – September 24, 2018
- AGNES STUART Joined Auxiliary – 2001
 16 Years of Service Deceased – June 28, 2018
- MARY CATHERINE VILLANYI Joined Auxiliary – 2010
 8 Years of Service Deceased – January 14, 2019
- GERRY WALKER Joined Auxiliary – 1994
 23 Years of Service Deceased – December 13, 2018

We also remember the following *past* Auxiliary members who died this year. They are:

- MURIEL EDWARDS (Life Associate Member)
 - Auxiliary member for many years (exact dates of service unknown)
- MARGARET GEAR (Life Associate Member)
 Auxiliary member for 63 years.
- > DOROTHY HUBICKI:
 - Auxiliary member for 35 years (1976 to May 2011)
- > SHIRLEY ELIZABETH PARKER:
 - Auxiliary member for 10 years (2002 to 2012)
- CATHERINE RAMSEY
 Auxiliary member for 13 years (2002 to 2015)

Interested in learning more about the NHH Auxiliary? Please see the <u>Volunteers tab at</u> <u>www.nhh.ca</u>

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About Northumberland Hills Hospital – Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, NHH delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, obstetrical care and palliative care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care and rehabilitation. Mental health care, chemotherapy, dialysis and 16 other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 60,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs approximately 600 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians and volunteers. NHH is an active member of the Central East Local Health Integration Network. For more information, please visit <u>www.nhh.ca</u> or follow us on Twitter <u>@NorHillsHosp</u>.

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