

Ontario Land Drainage Practitioner – Biography

Herbert H. Todgham (1924 to 2015)



Herbert Todgham grew up in Walkerville Ontario. He graduated with a B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering from the University of Toronto in 1945. Following graduation until 1948, Todgham was employed by a consulting Civil Engineering firm in Toronto. He subsequently relocated to Chatham in 1949 where he joined in forming the firm of McCubbin, Brisco and Todgham Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors.

Following the death of George McCubbin in 1955, he joined with Bill Case to form the Consulting Engineering firm of Todgham and Case Ltd. During the following years, the firm provided Civil Engineering and Land Surveying services throughout southwestern Ontario.

Upon his retirement from Todgham and Case in 1992, Herb was appointed to the Ontario Drainage Tribunal, which dealt with appeals under the Ontario Drainage Act.

Todgham was a very active volunteer in the Chatham community.

- He became a Rotarian in 1949, served as President and remained an active member for over 66 years
- He was a long-time member and Chair of the Board of the Public General Hospital, which later became the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance.
- He was a member and Chair of the District Health Council, member and Chair of St. John's Ambulance, and long-time member and Chair of the Board of Trustees of Park Street United Church.
- Todgham was a founding member of the Board of Directors of the Chatham Minor Hockey Association and of the Board of Directors of the Maple City Golf and Country Club.
- He was also Commodore of the Rondeau Yacht Club.

Herbert passed away in Chatham, on Monday, May 18, 2015 at the age of 91. Born in Walkerville, Ontario, Herb was the son of the late Ida (Richards) and Herbert Todgham and the beloved husband for 63 years of Irene Todgham (Martin) (2011).