

## Obituary for Eric Herbert Devlin



Devlin, Eric Herbert  
Major (Ret'd) CD

Eric Herbert Devlin, in his 99th year, passed away peacefully on Christmas morning 2018 at the Perth hospital after several months of illness. He leaves behind his beloved wife of 30 ½ years, Marilyn Walker-Giles. Loving father of Eric Jr. (Sandra), Terry (Tammy), Brian (Joanne) Giles, Gregory (Veronica) Giles and Susan (Jeff Thompson). Opa to Kyle, Alison and Tomas Devlin, Logan, Mitchell and Konstance Giles and brother of Helen Cameron. Predeceased by his parents Joseph and Mabel (Whyte) Devlin, first wife Ingrid, and siblings Ken, William, Joe and Eva Devlin. Eric served with the Canadian Armed Forces, Royal Canadian Regiment during WWII, as well as the Korean War. He was stationed in Japan, Germany and Vietnam, to name a few. He was a 5 times past president of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 244 Perth. Eric served for 20 years on Perth municipal council. He retired as the oldest sitting municipal councilor in Canada; for 20 years he served on the Police Services Board after it was formed in 1991. Eric was CO of 585 Rideau Squadron, Royal Canadian Air Cadets, Smiths Falls and later became director of the Air Cadet League. He was a member of St. Paul's United Church in which he served on the board of stewards and treasurer for over 15 years. Friends may pay their respects at the Blair & Son Funeral Home, 15 Gore St. West, Perth on Saturday December 29th, 2018 from Noon until 4:00 P.M. Funeral service will be held in St. Paul's United Church on Sunday at 2:00 P.M. Royal Canadian Legion Branch 244 will hold a service of remembrance immediately following the funeral service. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. In memory of Eric, contributions to Royal Canadian Legion Branch 244 Poppy Fund, the 585 Rideau Squadron or St. Paul's United Church would be appreciated.