

Edward ‘Ted’ Cherry Burton 1931–2004

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Edward “Ted” Cherry Burton, son of Edward Cherry Burton and Lucille Emma Tervin was born in Toronto, Ontario on December 7 1931.

He grew up in Florida, Quebec and Northern Ontario writing about many of his experiences latter and publishing them in *Shaking the Feather Boa*.

He attended the Michigan College of Mining Technology and the University of Western Ontario and then Osgood Hall Law School. He was called to the bar in 1959. He engaged in the private practice of law in Kenora from 1959 to 1961. In 1961 he became Crown Attorney for the District of Kenora until 1985.

He married his wife Erica 30 Jul 1960 in Toronto and had three children, Ted Jr. (Liz) and Michael (Dana) of Kenora and daughter Elaine (Gord Johnson - Thunder Bay),

During his period in Kenora, he initiated the practice of taking Provincial Courts into northern fly-in communities and became active in working with native communities and developing programs for training the first Native Justices of the Peace.

In 1985 he became the Crown Attorney for the District of Thunder Bay. In 1988 he became the Regional Director for the Northwest Region of the Ministry of the Attorney General. He retired in 1991. He spent summers at the family camp on Lake of the Woods. His books include a legal handbook for Ontario Conservation Officers, *Journal of a Country Lawyer* and *Shaking the Feather Boa*.

He died in March 4 2004 in the Thunder Bay Regional Health Science Center after a lengthy illness.

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