



In memory of Jim and Dita Ouslis

We lost both of them within two months in 2012, Jim at the age of 89 and Dita at the age of 82. Both were founding members of Holy Trinity Church as well as members of the executive committee for many years. They worked tirelessly to support and help the church.

Both Jim and Dita were born in the village of Zeleniche¹ in Aegean Macedonia. Jim was born in August 1922. His father Vasil Ouslis (Dimitroff) came to Canada in the 1920's and in 1938 brought his family to Toronto. His son Jim was 16 at the time.

Jim joined the RCAF during World War II. He received training in the field of electronics and worked on the plane engines all over Canada. After being discharged from the RCAF, he went to Ryerson and trained as an electronic technician. From there he went to work at General Electric in the cutting edge field of electronics.

His wife Dita Gogi, from the same village, was born in July 1929. When she arrived in Canada in 1947, she left behind her family. This was an extremely brave thing for an eighteen-year old girl to do in those days. They got married on Dec. 28, 1947 by Father Michailoff at St. George's church and followed him to Holy Trinity. Dita and Jim had a wonderful marriage for over 64 years and had two daughters - Vickie and Linda. Also, there are four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, who they loved very much.

Jim and Dita were very proud of being founding members of Holy Trinity Church, as well as being members of the executive committee. They worked ceaselessly in various other capacities in the church. One of the great loves of Jim's life was music, and he sang faithfully in the church choir for over 30 years. Dita was secretary of the church for many years. She was also constantly helping in the kitchen at social events and looking after the coffee. It was a great joy to both of them to be able to contribute their talents to supporting the church.

It was a sad time when we lost both of them suddenly, Dita in April and Jim in June. They are greatly missed by everyone who knew them.

From the Family

1. <http://bg.wikipedia.org/wiki/%D0%97%D0%B5%D0%BB%D0%B5%D0%BD%D0%B8%D1%87%D0%B5>