



Gus Takacs was born in 1934 about six miles outside Simcoe. His family moved to Lynnville where his father was a sharecropper on the Windham tobacco plantation. Gus and family returned to their homeland of Hungary for a short while then came back to Canada for good in 1938.

The family lived in a tobacco kiln at Rodney in Elgin County then moved to Teeterville where his father again sharecropped. In 1946, Gus graduated from public school and, through a mixup, went to high school for a few weeks in Delhi. After things got straightened out, Gus went to high school in Waterford and Simcoe.

Gus took photography for three months at Ryerson Institute of Technology, which failed to develop into a career. On Jan. 2, 1953, Gus joined the Canadian Bank of Commerce. He worked at banks in Mitchell and Long Branch then, in 1956, he came to the bank in Simcoe, where he lived "the exciting life of a Canadian banker" until his retirement in 1994.

Gus married Julia. They have a daughter Debbie, son Paul and two grandchildren.

Gus served on Simcoe town council from 1980 to 1981 and Haldimand-Norfolk regional council from 1988 to 1994. Gus recalls his politician's salary was \$5,000 a year.

Gus is a longtime PROBUS member. He is currently the co-ordinator of our Who Am I speakers. Thank you, Gus, for telling us your story.

GAZEL "GUS"'S OBITUARY

TAKACS, Gazel "Gus"- Passed away on Friday October 7th, 2022 at the Cedarwood Village Nursing Home. Mr. Gus Takacs of Simcoe in his 89th year. Beloved husband of Julia (nee Ferris) for 66 years. Loving father of Paul (Pat) and Deborah. Cherished Grandpa and Papa to Jessica (Brandon) and Peter. Dear brother to Helen (Joe) Czerlau, late William (late Elizabeth), late Michael (Helen), and the late Frank. Gus will be sadly missed by many other relatives and friends. Gus was very active in his community serving as Regional Councilor for the Town of Simcoe, served on various boards in the community. He was a past President of the Simcoe Kinsmen Club, member

of Simcoe Lions Club and the Probus Club. Gus was retired from TD Canada Trust, where he was the manager for many years. Friends are invited to visit on Thursday October 13th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Ferris Funeral Home, 214 Norfolk St. S., Simcoe (519-426-1314) Cremation will follow. Private family interment at a later date. If so desired, donations may be made to the Simcoe and District Humane Society. Online condolences may be made at www.ferrisfuneral.com