



PEARSON, Richard Gordon Douglas "Dick" CMA

Passed away at the Norfolk General Hospital, Simcoe on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 in his 88th year. Cherished husband of Olga Pearson (nee Korba) of Simcoe. Loving father of Jay Pearson and Steve Pearson (Laura McBride), both of Simcoe. Sadly missed by his siblings Carol Van Exam (Paul) of Ingersoll and Dan Pearson (Cathy) of Simcoe. Dick will be lovingly remembered by nieces, nephews and extended family. Friends are invited to share their memories of Dick with his family at the Jason Smith Funeral Chapel, 689 Norfolk St. North Simcoe for visitation of Tuesday, December 13, 2022 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. A funeral service will be held at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 85 Lot St. Simcoe on Wednesday morning at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Mikal Schomberg officiating. Private interment of ashes: Oakwood Cemetery, Simcoe. Those wishing to donate in memory of Dick are asked to consider the Norfolk General Hospital Foundation or St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. Personal online condolences at [www.smithfuneralchapel.com](http://www.smithfuneralchapel.com)  
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## Dick Pearson's Who Am I, March 2016

### **Who-Am-I: Dick Pearson**

Dick Pearson was born on Sept. 2, 1935. His first six months were spent in Wilsonville then his family moved south of Simcoe, first to his great-uncle's then to his grandfather's farm where Dick's father was a hired man.

The family had no hydro, no water and no plumbing. Dick went to a one-room school at the corner of Hillcrest and Walsh roads. At high school in Simcoe, Dick played basketball.

After graduating from high school at age 18, Dick refused to borrow money to go to college. Instead, he became a chartered accountant apprentice, which paid him \$25 a week.

Dick liked accounting but auditing was boring, so after five years he left being an apprentice. About this time, he met his wife Olga at a dance in Turkey Point.

In his mid-20s, Dick was the office manager at J.B. Jackson ice cream company. After seven years, he moved to Jackson's wholesale grocery business. A few years later, he moved back to the ice cream company.

At age 31, Dick started with Tobac Curing Systems in Simcoe. He was there 18 years as part-owner and general manager.

At age 52, he became an accountant at Norfolk Fruit Growers Association. He retired as secretary-treasurer at age 62.

Dick and Olga have lived in the same house on Lee Avenue in Simcoe for 52 years. They have two sons Jason and Steven.

Dick is a longtime member of Simcoe PROBUS and was our vice-president and president. He likes golf and reading and he has travelled widely.

Thank you, Dick, for your service and for telling us your story.



**Dick Pearson**