

## ELEANOR ISABEL (CARLETON) MOULT UE

Inducted 2010

Eleanor was born on Dec. 22, 1929 in Norwood, Ontario, the daughter of the late Dr. Harry and Edith (Walker) Carleton. Eleanor grew up in Norwood, and her later education was in Peterborough. She was married on July 3, 1954 to Charles Robert Moulton, and they had three children: Robert Carleton Moulton, Julie Eleanor Moulton, and Carol Elizabeth Moulton. She spent much of her life as an elementary school teacher at various schools, starting at SS#3 in Ameliasburgh, and finally retiring in Tweed in 1993. She was also an active member of the Tweed Historical Society for many years.



It was impossible to have been involved with genealogy in Ontario over the past several decades without meeting Eleanor. If one could claim the title of *Ms. Genealogy* it was Eleanor, and once you met her, you were her friend for life. She tackled with enthusiasm every query that came her way, and the answers she provided usually extended far beyond the scope of the initial query. The query need not be about one of her own family lines. She helped everyone, and they could expect a response any time of day or night!

Years back Eleanor was a dedicated member of both Toronto Branch UELAC and Toronto Branch OGS. She was heavily involved with the *Loyalist Lineages* book project, and served as co-Dominion Genealogist for a time. More recently she was Branch Genealogist for Bay of Quinte Branch UELAC. She held that position until late 2009 when ill health prompted her to settle in a Retirement Home in Tweed. Eleanor was also an authority on the Dafoe family, and she organized a large Dafoe Reunion in Kingston in 1984. As a result of this, many referred to her simply as "That Dafoe Lady". Eleanor's claim for Loyalist ancestry was through the well documented Dafoes. In 2010 Eleanor was honoured by being inducted into Bay of Quinte Branch's "Loyal American Hall of Honour" an award not generally bestowed upon living Loyalist descendants.

There are more good Eleanor stories than space permits, but one thing she was legendary for was the extent of her collection of genealogical books and papers. When she moved from Scarborough to Tweed in the 1990s, the superintendent of the apartment in Scarborough breathed a sigh of relief. There had been a real concern that the weight of her collection would collapse the apartment floor! Her last residence in Belleville was actually two apartments- one for living in and one for research and book storage!

Eleanor passed away in Belleville on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and was buried in St Paul's Church Cemetery in Roslin, Ontario.