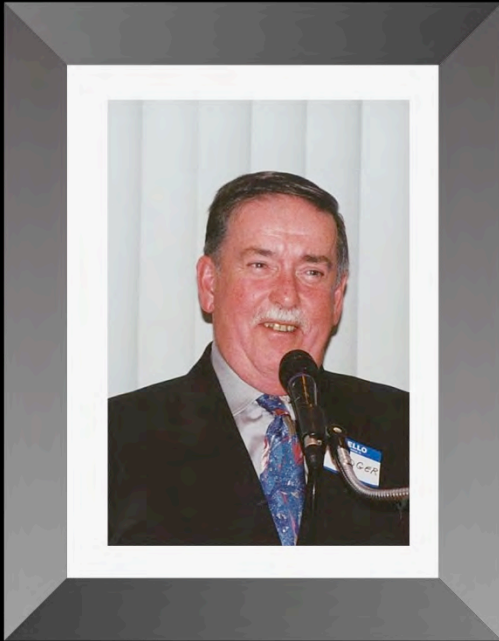


Remembering Elizabeth Nieman

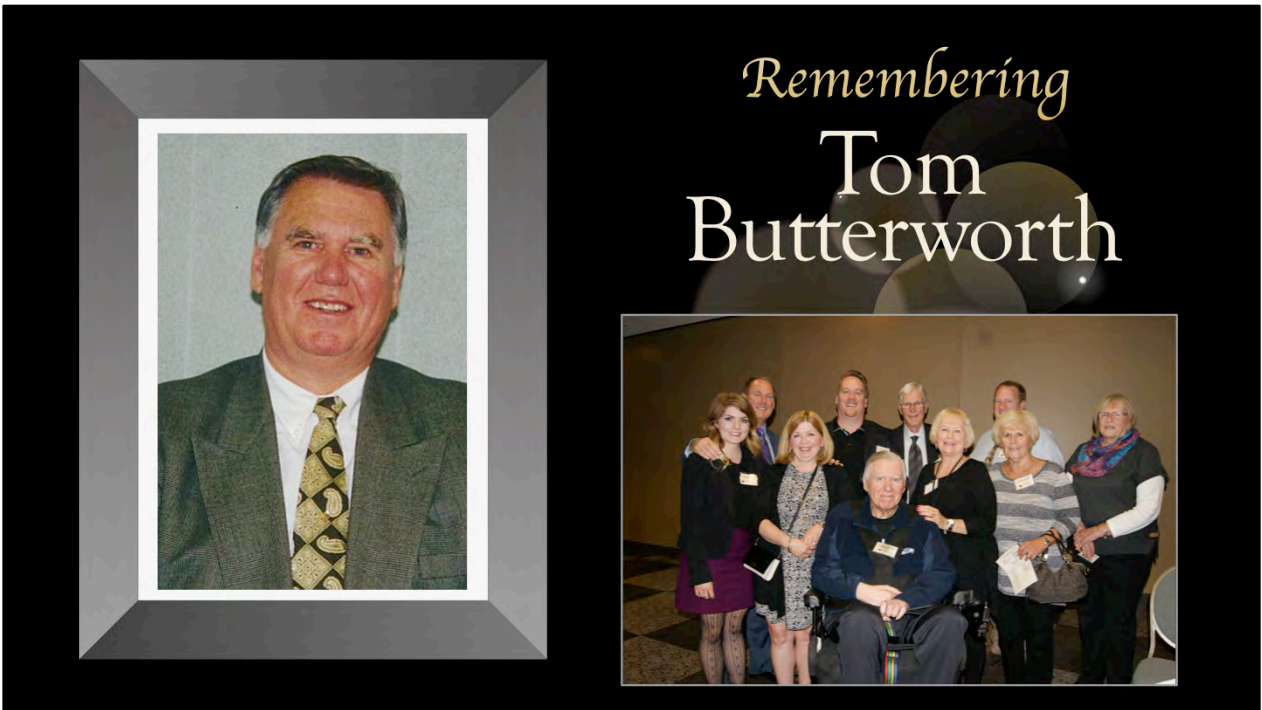


Liz was a Winnipeg Hydro clerical employee, hired in 1962. In 1965 she commenced full-time clerical work with Local 500, where she worked for 34 years, retiring as the Local 500 Bookkeeper. Liz worked with the leadership of the local over her entire career at Local 500, she also worked with the local's staff, national staff and all of the local's external suppliers. She was a very dedicated employee, and we remember her tonight.

Remembering **Rodger Christle**

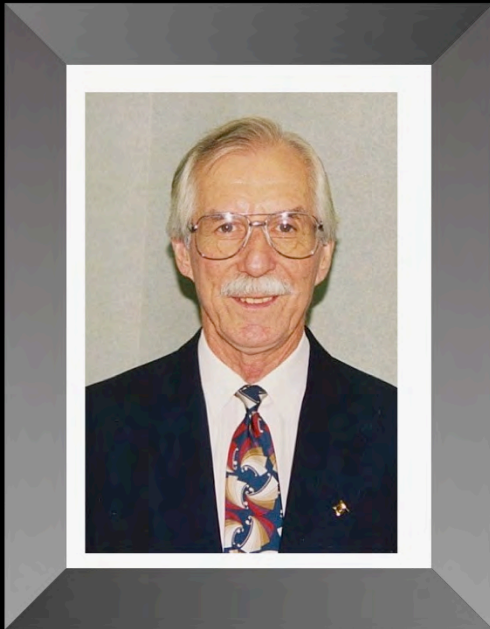


Rodger was employed by Winnipeg Hydro between 1959 and 1983. He was active in Local 500 for many years, serving as President of the Shiftworkers Unit for six years and as a Local executive member and member of the negotiating committee. Rodger was a health and safety activist, he pushed Winnipeg Hydro to improve its provision of fire-retardant clothing. He was very active in the Special Optional Retirement Pension issue and contributed to many Hydro shift workers receiving substantial refunds from this plan. He retired in 1993 as Hydro's Power System Control Superintendent. He moved to Nanaimo, BC in the early 2000's, and we recognize his service to Local 500 and remember him tonight



Tom was the son of Les Butterworth, a key Local 500 figure, the Local 500 Les Butterworth Scholarship Fund honours his contributions to the formation of Local 500, it goes without saying that Tom came by his union activism honestly. Tom was active in Local 500 and Local 555, The Metropolitan Corporation of Greater Winnipeg which existed up until the time of Unicity in the early 1970's. He served as Treasurer of Local 555 and on the negotiating committee, he was after Unicity, a Local 500 Trustee and active member of the Local's Pension Committee.

Tom was promoted out-of-scope in 1975 and upon his retirement from the City in 1989 was made an Honourary Life Member. We remember Tom tonight.

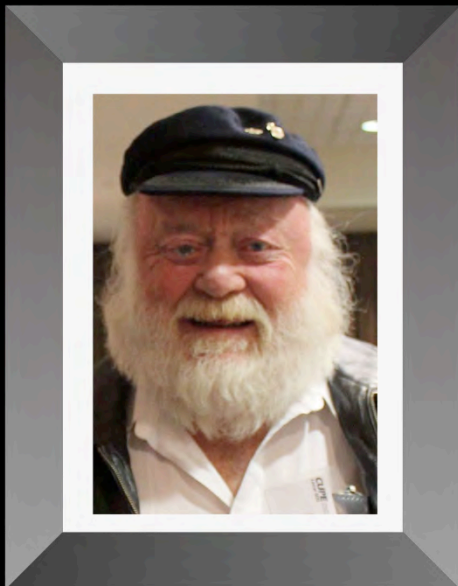


Remembering Ron Aftanas



Ron commenced employment with Winnipeg Hydro in 1951, for 23 years, until his promotion out-of-scope, he was very active within Local 500. Upon his retirement from the City in 1991 he was inducted as an Honourary Life Member. He served for 10 years as Treasurer of the Clerical Unit. He chaired the Local's Education Committee, was an active member of the Pension Committee and served on multiple rounds of bargaining as a member of the Negotiating Committee.

Ron was a true gentleman, he and his wife attended these dinners each and every year, and we remember Brother Aftanas tonight.



Remembering **Ron Land**



Ron commenced employment with the City in 1970 and was a active within the Local's Refuse Unit for many years. His membership moved to the Clerical Unit when he was promoted to the License Branch of the Finance Department, where he was employed as a License Inspector. Ron remained active as an executive member of the Clerical Unit, a member of the Local's negotiating committee and a representative of Local 500 on CUPE Manitoba and MFL committees.

We remember Brother Land and his contributions to our Local.



Remembering John Jamieson

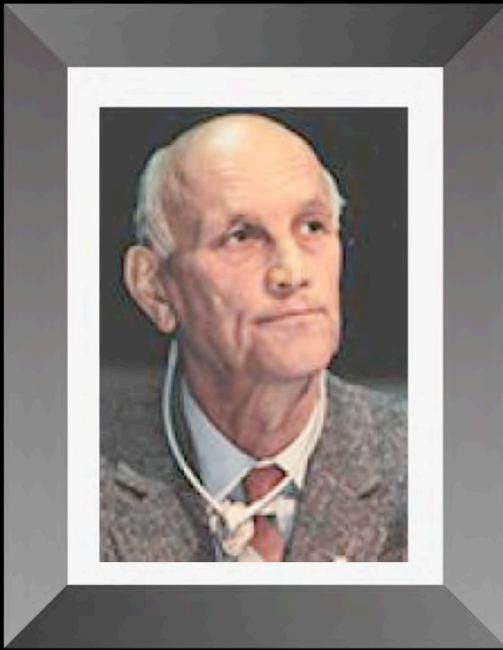


Brother Jamieson commenced employment with Winnipeg Hydro in the Steam Plant on September 19th, 1972. He was an active member of the Shiftworker's Unit, serving as President and at one time or another, he held every single table officer position. He served on the Local's Executive and on the Negotiating Committee for many rounds of bargaining.

I was fortunate over recent years to have breakfast a couple of times a year with John, Norm Norris, Pat English and Bob Malazdrewich. John, in addition to his union activism, was very active in the Navy Cadets, just last week a former colleague of his asked me to write a paragraph on his union involvement, to include in a pamphlet to raise funds for a scholarship in John's name for future Navy Cadets.

We remember, JJ, Brother John Jamieson tonight.

Remembering **Jack Rodie**

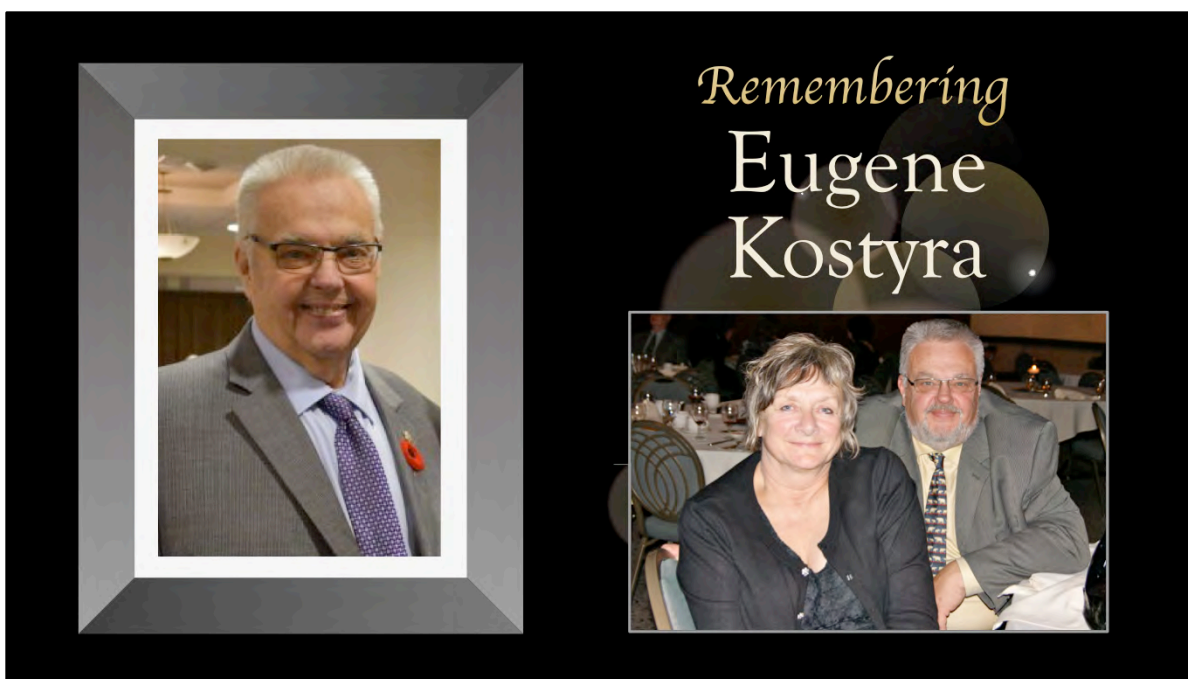


Jack commenced employment with the Greater Winnipeg Water District in 1948 and was active within Local 500 and its predecessor union throughout his entire career until his retirement in 1988.

He regularly attended these dinners over the past 30 plus years. He served on the Local's Executive and negotiating committee. He served 15 years as CUPE MB President, our longest serving president to date. He was MFL Treasurer for many years, and he served for over 20 years on the CUPE National Executive Board as MB RVP and as GVP.

In the mid-1990's CUPE Manitoba established the "Jack Rodie Award", presented annually to a rank-and-file member for meritorious commitment to our union. Jack personified the very best in terms of rank-and-file activism. He was an active member of the NDP and very dedicated activist, universally respected.

I was honoured at the time of his passing to be asked to deliver the eulogy at this funeral in July 2020. We acknowledge Jack's outstanding career of union activism and remember him tonight.



Eugene worked for Winnipeg Hydro, beginning as a clerical employee until he became an Apprentice Electrician and then a Journeyman Electrician. He was very active within Local 500 serving as Editor of the Local's newsletter and as an executive member.

A lifelong NDP member, he was also active in the Political Action Committees of Local 500 and the MFL. In the early 1970's he was hired as a CUPE National Rep.

In 1981 he was elected as NDP MLA for Seven Oaks, serving in a variety of cabinet positions until 1988 when he was defeated. He returned to CUPE and from 1989 to 1999 he served as Regional Director.

Eugene was a huge presence within our union and within the NDP. He was a hard worker and an inspirational leader. He was inducted into the Order of Manitoba in 2011, and last year, two annual scholarships were established in his name to be presented annually at his former school, St. John's High School.

We remember Eugene tonight.