



State Funeral for
Hazel McCallion

February 14, 1921 to January 29, 2023

Tuesday, February 14, 2023, 11am
Paramount Fine Foods Centre
5500 Rose Cherry Place
Mississauga, ON



Hazel McCallion, C.M., O.Ont. *February 14, 1921 to January 29, 2023*

Hazel McCallion was born on February 14, 1921 in Port Daniel, Quebec, a small fishing community on the Gaspé Peninsula. She played professional hockey until moving to Toronto to work with Canadian Kellogg for 19 years.

In 1967 she left the corporate world to devote her career to politics. She was mayor of Streetsville from 1970–1973. In 1974, Streetsville, Port Credit and the town of Mississauga amalgamated to form the City of Mississauga. McCallion was elected as Mississauga's third mayor in 1978.

In 1979, only one year as mayor, McCallion evacuated over 230,000 city residents due to chlorine and chemicals emitted from the explosion of train cars in what became known as the "Mississauga Miracle." McCallion was successful in 12 straight municipal elections and was nicknamed "Hurricane Hazel" for her tenacity and her desire to create change in her City. While in office as Mayor of Mississauga she tripled the population, while operating the City debt free. She is the past chair, honorary chair and honorary member of many committees and associations across Canada such as the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and World Conference of Mayors and Women's World Hockey Tournament.

She was inducted into the Mississauga Sports Hall of Fame in 2001, appointed a Member of the Order of Canada in 2005, to the Order of Ontario in 2021, and was runner up as World Mayor in 2005. In 2014, McCallion authored her autobiography, *Hurricane Hazel - A Life with Purpose*. Since stepping down at the end of her term in 2014, she worked as the Chief Elder Officer of Revera Incorporated, was appointed as Special Advisor to the University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM), and was named the first Chancellor of Sheridan College. In 2016, February 14 was renamed Hazel McCallion Day across the province of Ontario in honour of McCallion's birthday. She made many causes her passion, but throughout her life, she always supported youth and their development, championing many causes to provide young people with opportunity.

Arrival Music

Haley Marie, Pianist and the Sheridan College
Music Theatre Ensemble

Processional

Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services Piper
Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services Honour Guard
Peel Regional Police Honour Guard
Peel Regional Paramedic Services Honour Guard
Pallbearers - Women's Hockey Gold Medalists
Bearers of Chain of Office, Order of Canada and Order of Ontario

Welcome

Jim Murray, Master of Ceremonies

Prayer

Rt. Reverend Andrew Asbil, Bishop of the Toronto Anglican Diocese

Reading - John 14: 1-3

Dave Toycen, Former CEO, World Vision Canada

Amazing Grace

Performed by the Sheridan College Music Theatre Ensemble

Tributes

The Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
Her Worship Bonnie Crombie, Mayor of Mississauga

Psalm 23

Chief Emmanuel Mbulu

Tribute

The Right Honourable Jean Chrétien, Former Prime Minister of Canada

Reading: "A Life with Purpose"

The Honourable Victor Oh, Senate of Canada

Tribute

Fran Rider, President and CEO, Ontario Women's Hockey Association
and Hazel McCallion's best friend

Musical Interlude

Danny Boy

Presentation of Medals and Flag

The Last Post

Silence

Reveille

Closing Remarks

Jim Murray, Master of Ceremonies, on behalf of the McCallion Family

Recessional

How Great Thou Art performed by the
Sheridan College Music Theatre Ensemble

Celebration of Life Concludes

New Testament Reading
Dave Toyce

John 14:1-3

Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You believe in God; believe also in me.

My Father's house has many rooms;
if that were not so,
would I have told you that I am
going there to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back
and take you to be with me
that you also may be where I am.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come
This grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

When we've been here ten thousand years
Bright, shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Old Testament Reading
Chief Emmanuel Mbulu

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long.

Reading
Senator Oh

***From Hurricane Hazel:
A Life with Purpose (p.216)***

Mayor Hazel: “Compassion and giving voice to those less fortunate are part of what makes for terrific public service. I’ve always tried to visit as many schools as possible, especially schools with high populations of new Canadians. And you know what? So often these kids teach the Mayor a thing or two. With stories they tell me and poems they write. I was so moved by a book of poems and life stories by grade five students for my visit to St Veronica Elementary School. One story struck me. It was a from a boy born in the Philippines. He thanked me for Mississauga, a safe home that keeps him dry at night, unlike the home of sheet metal he once lived in, and he thanked me for the clean water to drink. He thanked me. I want to thank him because with an attitude like that I’m sure he will grow into a fine young man and be an asset to our country.”

Danny Boy

O Danny boy, the pipes, the pipes are calling
From glen to glen and down the mountainside
The summer's gone and all the roses falling
'Tis you, 'tis you must go and I must bide

But come ye back when summer's in the meadow
Or all the valley's hushed and white with snow
'Tis I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow
O Danny boy, O Danny boy, I love you so

When winter's come and all the flowers are dying
And I am dead, as dead I well may be
You'll come and find the place where I am lying
And kneel and say an "Ave" there for me

But I shall hear though soft you tread above me
And all my grave shall warmer, sweeter be
And you will bend and tell me that you love me
And I shall sleep in peace until you come to me

O Danny boy, the stream flows cool and slowly
And pipes still call and echo 'cross the glen
Your broken mother sighs and feels so lowly
For you have not returned to smile again

So if you've died and crossed the stream before us
We pray that angels met you on the shore
And you'll look down, and gently you'll implore us
To live so we may see your smiling face once more
Once more

How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God

When I, in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing

He bled and died to take away my sin

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart

Then I shall bow, in humble adoration

And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

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A very special *thank you* to all the dignitaries, special guests, friends and members of the public that joined the McCallion family at this important recognition of Hazel's life.

Thank you to the many groups and individuals that made this celebration a fitting tribute to the legacy of Hazel McCallion. This includes the following:

- Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services Piper, Joel Glaude
- Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services Honour Guard
- Peel Regional Police Honour Guard
- Peel Regional Paramedic Services Honour Guard
- Women's Hockey Gold Medalists
- Sheridan College Music Theatre Ensemble
- Mr. David O'Brien