

Yvette Archambault



Lucienne, Yvette, Thérèse

Yvette Marie Laura Archambault was born on 12 December, 1919 in Blind River, Ontario, Canada. She was the second surviving daughter of Moïse Archambault and Zoé Bernier. Yvette married Léon Joseph Clovis Piché, the son of Aristide Piché and Séraphine Normand on November 29, 1937 at the Holy Parish Church, in Blind River. Yvette, nicknamed Chick or Ti-tite worked hard all of her life yet still found the time to raise a family of nine children, two boys and seven girls.

Mrs. Piché was a modern woman with an aggressive personality. Constantly balancing family with a career, she strove for continual advancement. Early in her career, Yvette ran a grocery store for five years. With an entrepreneurial spirit, she purchased a chuck wagon, which is a “restaurant on wheels”. Commonly known as “Chick’s Chip Stand” for its famous French fries, it was built from an old Ford Model T. During that time, she also was employed at the 17th Restaurant where she worked for eleven years. Shifting directions, Yvette then worked at the St-Joseph Hospital in Blind River where she had worked for fifteen years until she retired. Throughout her professional career, Mrs. Piché also kept boarders in her home as an additional source of income.

Aside from her professional career, Yvette had political interests. She was a Councilor of the Town of Blind River, Ontario in 1960, and had devoted her time helping the people. As hobbies, Yvette also pitched ball (baseball), played hockey, curled, and played cards.

Today, Mrs. Piché has 40 grandchildren and 62 great grandchildren, for a current total of 102 descendants. She is now 86, and still very active. Yvette is the mother of Lucienne Tong, one of the translators of our newsletters.

Interesting fact:

Our translator Lucienne Tong, from Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, tells us that her daughter-in-law and her youngest daughter have given birth to two adorable babies on the same day at a local hospital, of which she is so proud of. These two young ones are the grandchildren of William Tong and Lucienne Piché-Tong, the daughter of Léon Piché and Yvette Archambault.

Did you know that...

Yvette Piché (née Archambault) was northbound on Haines Avenue when her vehicle was struck on the right side by a westbound freight train. Mrs. Piché was in satisfactory condition but was treated for minor facial injuries. Unfortunately her car, a Mazda was destroyed in a crash.



COUNCIL FOR 1960 — Blind River Town Council met Monday for the first time this year. Councilors for 1960 are shown with the town clerk and the mayor. They are, standing, left to right: E. P. Lesarge, R. Cavanagh, G. Breton, J. Robb, George Lafontaine, seated: Maurice Dyle, town clerk; Mayor John Menard, and Mrs. Yvette Piché. Star Bureau Photo by Reid



*Family tree
of Yvette Archambault*

Jacques France around the year 1629 Françoise Tourault

Laurent Montréal 01/07/1660 Catherine Marchand

Jacques Montréal 02/15/1694 Françoise Aubuchon

Louis Longue-Pointe 01/25/1740 Thérèse Boudreau-Graveline

Paul Repentigny 10/28/1764 Catherine Beaudoin

Joseph Repentigny 02/24/1794 Angélique Janot-Bellehumeur

Joseph Repentigny 08/02/1819 Adélaïde Manègre

Foussaint Ottawa 06/25/1857 Joé Labelle

Moïse { *Ottawa 06/24/1896 (non-catholic)*
Hull 07/06/1896 (catholic) *Joé Bernier*

Yvette-Marie-Laura Blind River, Ontario 11/29/1937 Léon-Joseph-Cloris Piché

Copy of marriage register in Notre-Dame-de-Grâce Parish, Hull (Québec)
 catholic marriage of Moïse Archambault and Zoé Bernier.

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Folio cent-treize

Bénédictin Le six Juillet mil huit cent quatre-vingt-sept
 du mariage nous, pasteur soussigné, avons, par délégation de messieurs
 Messrs de Québec de Monseigneur J. O. Baudin, vicaire général, absens
 haut et de Moïse Archambault et Zoé Bernier de la résidence
 Zoé Bernier par eux intervenue pour mariage illicitement
 contracté par devant un ministre d'une église non
 catholique le vingt quatre Juin, mil huit cent quatre
 vingt-sept, comme il appert du certificat de maria-
 ge dont voici la teneur: Ottawa, Juin 24th 1896
 This day were married by licence Moses Archam-
 bault of Ottawa, bachelor and Zoé Bernier, spinster
 of Ottawa by me. M. Polard, Pastor
 This marriage was solemnised between us,
 Moses ^{Archambault} Archambault, Zoé Bernier
 Witnesses Thomas Miller & M. Polard
 Après quoi nous leur avons donné la bénédiction
 nuptiale en présence de Louis Deschênes & Pierre Du-
 charme qui ont pu signer avec nous. Le tout fait
 Pierre Ducharme
 Louis Deschênes
 M. Polard