

**Dr. Samuel Martin Burris**  
**1904-1991**

Samuel Martin Burris, son of William Norman Burris and Ann Kerr Guild, was born on December 4 1904 in Stewiacke, Nova Scotia.

He grew up in Nova Scotia graduating from school at age 16 and headed west to Alberta. He attended and graduated from University of Alberta Medical school in 1928.

He moved to Bayfield, Huron County where he first practiced medicine. He subsequently moved to become a mine Doctor in the Patricia District and then to Sioux Lookout.

In about 1941 he enlisted with the Canadian Army and served to November 1945. He moved to Kenora in 1946.

He was active in the Kenora Armories in his early years in Kenora. He was active in his church, Knox United. He served as Chairmen of the Local School Board from around 1959.

He married Mildred Marguerite Stephens. They had four children:

William Martin Burris, born 1941,

Rosemary Burris, born 1943,

Ruth Burris. 1947, Married Dr. Peter Harland

Claire Burris, born 1949, Married Ron Noseworthy, President of the Kenora Rotary Club 2006-07

He was president of the Kenora Rotary Club 1966-67

He died March 16 1991 in Kenora.