

Mary Emma SEYMOUR

NOMINEE: Mary Emma SEYMOUR

MEMBER SPOUSE: Maurice James SEYMOUR, # 1827

DETACHMENT(S): Hornepayne 1962 – 1966

NOMINATOR: Spouse

SILENT PARTNER STORY

We were posted to Hornepayne Detachment in January 1962 and I was the District Constable. At the time, this was a one man detachment. The office, four cells and courtroom were part of our assigned residence. At the time, we had two children, ages seven months and three years. We stayed in Hornepayne until January 1966 when I was promoted and transferred to Orillia.

Mary performed all of the duties mentioned in your memo, other than radio and as well was the custodian and was paid \$25 a month for this chore. She also served as the point person for the Driver Examiner's appointments.

Support:

- Answering Telephone
- Taking complaints at all hours, by telephone or at the door
- Comforting crime victims
- Cooking and caring for prisoners
- Searching female prisoners
- Baby sitting while awaiting Children's Aid
- Assisting in the typing of reports
- Supplying the social aspect for visiting brass
- Custodian

The detachment became a way of life for the years spent there. It was a 24 hour, on-duty life for Mary, in particular. I could at least get away on duty, whereas as Mary was struck with the Detachment and our children.

ABOUT HORNEPAYNE

Hornepayne is located 97 kilometers north of White River on Highway 631. Established in 1915 as Fitzback, the town was renamed in 1920 after British financier Robert Horne-Payne. Forestry serves as the main industry in this town of 980 residents.