

**Wendy P. MILLER**

**NOMINEE:** Wendy P. MILLER

**MEMBER SPOUSE:** Gordon MILLER, #2448

**DETACHMENT:** Gore Bay 1977 – 1979

**NOMINATOR:** Spouse

**SILENT PARTNER STORY**

In October of 1977, I was transferred to Gore Bay as the Constable in charge of the three-man detachment. My wife (Wendy) and I and our three children moved into the apartment at the detachment. As Gore Bay was the county seat for District of Manitoulin, the two cells in the detachment also served as holding areas during jury trials. Sometimes Wendy would be called upon to provide meals for prisoners.

There was no clerical support so when the officers were away the office would be closed. This caused people to come to the apartment seeking assistance. My wife would offer advice or, if further action was required, direct the information to an officer as soon as practical.

On one occasion there was a two-vehicle collision close to the detachment. All officers were away in court. People came running to the apartment for help. Wendy alerted the communication centre and requested an ambulance and officers to attend. She then grabbed our four-year-old son and drove to the scene. Wendy is a registered nurse and when she got there she began administering first aid to injured parties until more help arrived. Unfortunately, one person died.

Our wives contributed in many ways to enhance the policing of these small communities and I think it's fitting to formally recognize them for all they have done.

**About Gore Bay**

Founded in 1890, Gore Bay can be found on the north shore of Manitoulin Island and is home to 900 residents. A popular area for summer recreation, the town sees its population increase substantially with boaters and tourists from around Ontario and the Great Lakes areas. Gore Bay is also the home of Manitoulin Transport, one of the nation's biggest trucking companies.