

at 2719 3rd Ave. West, and started to remodel the old house on this property and build overnight cabins. That was in 1945. We put in modern facilities .. hot and cold running water, flush toilets and showers, gas for heating and cooking.

By this time, my husband decided to stay home, as this was year-round work, and we had to build and improve. As years went by, we made a host of friends and all told others of our business and it grew until we had 22 cottages. We changed the name from Barfoot's Red and White Cabins to "Barfoot Red and White Motor Court."

Our two daughters were married from there and these were the happy times.

We had sad times too. My mother, who liked to be at our place and visit with the guests, took very ill of summer of 1954 and passed away at our home at the age of 86 years.

We carried on our business until 1968 when we retired and sold to John and Annetta Mielke. We owned property across the highway, about two blocks north, overlooking the Bay. We built a modern one floor home and keep busy with our vegetable garden and flowers in the summer. In the winter we loved to bowl and have won many trophies. Also, I like to make quilts, several for each grandchild. We do not bowl anymore but enjoy the Senior Citizens Club at First United Church; and shuffle board at Balmy Beach, and our Euchre Club with neighbours and friends.

We had a very happy event ... our 50th Wedding Anniversary which our two daughters and their husbands held in our honour at the Coliseum, 10th Street East, Owen Sound, on Saturday April 22, 1977. They had a dinner for the family and relatives. In the evening neighbours and friends came and spent an enjoyable evening, with dancing for the younger ones and cards and reminiscing for the older folk. It was an event to be remembered.

Our family like to have "family get-togethers" and had a family Birthday Party for my husband and I January 1981. Robert was 85 years and I was 80 years young. We are enjoying fairly good health and looking forward to taking another trip this summer. We enjoyed our trip to the West Coast last summer. It was a conducted tour and we think that is the best way to travel at our age. _____

Robert C. Barfoot died March 9, 1983

Age - 87

BARFOOT'S RED & WHITE MOTOR COURT

MARY E (MCMILLAN) BARFOOT DIED
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Mary and Bob Barfoot started an interesting and profitable business at their bayshore property, 2905, 3rd Ave.W. Owen Sound, in 1945. At this time Bob was pursuing a boat-building trade, so in a short time he erected five tourist cabins with modern conveniences. Those were so popular that it became a full-time job. By 1968 when this enterprising couple retired they had twenty-two cabins, and had made a host of friends.

(See the preceding account for more details).

