



Dr. and Mrs. Morris

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Repository:	City of Burnaby Archives
Date:	May 1942
Collection/Fonds:	Morris Family fonds
Description Level:	Item
Item No.:	278-001
Accession Number:	BHS992-8
Storage Location:	A/V Storage
Physical Description:	1 photograph : b&w ; 12.5 x 8.5 cm print
Media Type:	Photograph
Access Restriction:	No restrictions
Reproduction Restriction:	May be restricted by third party rights
Scope and Content:	Photograph of Dr. Wesley Morris and his wife, Laura Maude Weegar Morris standing beside a pathway at Marine Drive.
Names:	Morris, Dr. Wesley Gardier Morris, Laura Maude Weegar
Notes:	Title based on contents of photograph
Geographic Access:	Burnaby - Marine Drive
Historic Neighbourhood:	Fraser Arm (Historic Neighbourhood)
Planning Study Area:	Big Bend Area Sussex-Nelson Area

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Morris daughters

<https://search.heritageburnaby.ca/permalink/archivephoto36487>

Repository:	City of Burnaby Archives
Date:	May 1942
Collection/Fonds:	Morris Family fonds
Description Level:	Item
Item No.:	278-003
Accession Number:	BHS992-8
Storage Location:	A/V Storage
Physical Description:	1 photograph : b&w ; 12.5 x 8.5 cm print
Media Type:	Photograph
Access Restriction:	No restrictions
Reproduction Restriction:	May be restricted by third party rights
Scope and Content:	Photograph of the Morris daughters standing on a pathway at Marine Drive, in a row from eldest to youngest: Margaret Janet (eldest), Laura Elizabeth (Betty), Dorothy Rhoda Adelaide, Jessie Ellen, Gertrude Kathleen, to Mureil (youngest). Their dog Nemo is lying at their feet.
Subjects:	Animals - Dogs
Names:	Sheldon, Margaret Janet Morris Morris, Laura Elizabeth "Betty" Morris, Dorothy Rhoda Adelaide Morris, Jessie Ellen Morris, Gertrude Kathleen Morris, Muriel
Notes:	Title based on contents of photograph
Geographic Access:	Burnaby - Marine Drive
Historic Neighbourhood:	Fraser Arm (Historic Neighbourhood)
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Morris family

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Repository:	City of Burnaby Archives
Date:	May 1942
Collection/Fonds:	Morris Family fonds
Description Level:	Item
Item No.:	278-002
Accession Number:	BHS992-8
Storage Location:	A/V Storage
Physical Description:	1 photograph : b&w ; 8.5 x 12.5 cm print
Media Type:	Photograph
Access Restriction:	No restrictions
Reproduction Restriction:	May be restricted by third party rights
Scope and Content:	Photograph of the Morris family; Second eldest Laura Elizabeth (Betty), third eldest Dorothy Rhoda Adelaide, eldest Margaret Janet, and father Dr. Morris, along with youngest Muriel, mother Laura Maude Weegar Morris, third youngest Jessie Ellen, and second youngest Gertrude Kathleen standing beside a pathway at Marine Drive. Their dog Nemo is lying at Laura Elizabeth's feet. (Nemo was part police dog).
Subjects:	Animals - Dogs
Names:	Morris, Laura Elizabeth "Betty" Morris, Dorothy Rhoda Adelaide Sheldon, Margaret Janet Morris Morris, Dr. Wesley Gardier Morris, Muriel Morris, Laura Maude Weegar Morris, Jessie Ellen Morris, Gertrude Kathleen
Notes:	Title based on contents of photograph
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Morris Family fonds

<https://search.heritageburnaby.ca/permalink/archivemultipleformat90>

Repository:	City of Burnaby Archives
Date:	[1940-1945]
Collection/Fonds:	Morris Family fonds
Physical Description:	Photographs
Description Level:	Fonds
Storage Location:	BHS278
Scope and Content:	Fonds consists of photographs showing the Dr. Morris family and home.
History/Biography:	<p>Wesley Gardiner Morris was born in Summerside Prince Edward Island in 1884 and his wife Laura Maude Weegar was born in Maxville, Ontario in 1886. Wesley graduated from McGill University in 1914 becoming a doctor and received a gold medal in Chemistry. The couple was married in Maxville, Ontario in 1914 settling into their first home in Chauvin, Alberta before moving to Burnaby in 1916. The couple lived on Imperial Street until their new home at 4265 Trafalgar Street (DL 151-now 4241 Maywood Street) was built. Dr. Wesley Morris practiced medicine at his office at the corner of Kingsway and Sussex in part of Miss George's Drugstore. During and following the Depression years, Dr. Morris was often paid in kind by his patients or they would pay off their bills by assisting with jobs around the family home. The couple lived in the home on Trafalgar Street raising their six daughters, Margaret, Betty, Dorothy, Jessie, Gertrude and Muriel until the Depression when they were forced to sell their home and move to 'the ranch' on Marine Drive. The ranch covered 13 acres of property on either side of Marine Drive from Boundary Road east including a ravine with a creek. Dr. Morris was known for his skill in setting fractures and due to his expertise he was called to an accident in the 1940s at the McMillan Bloedel mill on the Fraser River. Except for Gertrude (Ramage) all of their daughters graduated from Burnaby South High School. Following graduation from high school, Margaret (Sheldon) completed a business course, while both Betty (Purrot) and Dorothy (Johston) became nurses. Jessie (Hunter) joined the R.C.A.F. and after learning Morse code was posted to communications. Gertrude taught piano lessons and later received her Real Estate license. All of the girls were married in the 1950s and moved away from the property on Marine Drive with the exception of Muriel who was still in high school. Laura suddenly took ill in 1945 and died which was a terrible shock to the family. Soon after Laura died, Wesley purchased a lot at 4648 Marine Drive (DL 175) and built a small two bedroom home moving in with his daughter Muriel. The old family home was rented, then sold and was later demolished around 1980. Dr. Wesley Morris died in 1960 and was buried alongside his wife Laura at Ocean View Memorial Cemetery in Burnaby. After her father died, Muriel continued to live in the small house later marrying Tom Di Guistini who settled there with her. Tom died in 1981 just two years before Muriel's retirement as the secretary of Magee Secondary School in Vancouver. Soon after retirement, Muriel sold their home on Marine Drive and moved to a condominium near Central Park.</p>
Media Type:	Textual Record Photograph
Notes:	Title based on contents of fonds