

George Neil Macaulay (Captain, the elder)

Having arrived in the 1860s from their native island of Great Bernera, adjacent to Scotland's Hebridean Isle of Lewis, this Southampton (Ontario) Macaulay family's sea-faring tradition continued for several more generations – also at Port Dover, Ontario. In 1909, Captain "Big George" Macaulay's nephew and namesake, George Neil Macaulay [see next listing under Famous MacAulays], died in a gale-force storm on Lake Erie while trying to save his shipmates aboard the ill-fated freighter, "The Clarion".

A little over a decade later, George Neil's surviving older brother, Captain John Angus Macaulay (later hereditary Chief of the Clan Macaulay of Lewis), earned heroic tributes through his courageous attempt to save two young skaters who had fallen through the Winter ice on Lake Erie near the pier at Port Dover. Captain John A. Macaulay was soon after elected Reeve of the village of Port Dover.

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