

# AN ALBERTA CHAMPION

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*Eric Harvie*

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HARVIE**

1892-1975

Eric Harvie started practicing law in Calgary in 1915, but took time out to serve in WWI. After the war, Mr. Harvie returned to his legal career. He also married Dorothy Southam and they had three children. He started into the oil business in the 1940s, when he was paid for his legal services in mineral rights. The discovery of oil on his property at Leduc in 1947 ensured his financial success.

Mr. Harvie became known as a generous community supporter. In 1966, he and his family donated his impressive collection of art, artifacts, and historical documents to the people of Alberta, with the goal of protecting the culture and history of western Canada. As a result, the Glenbow-Alberta Institute was created, later becoming the Glenbow Museum.

Mr. Harvie was a leader in the creation of institutions that celebrated the history and beauty of this part of the world including Heritage Park, the Calgary Zoo and the Banff School of Fine Arts. He also created the Devonian Foundation, which continues to support our community today.



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