



BIOGRAPHY

WILLIAM FREIFELD

**Union of Canadian Transportation Employees
National President - 1978 to 1981**

William Freifeld was born in 1927 and died, aged 88, on June 26, 2015. He was a Second World War veteran of the Royal Canadian Navy. His union career began at Toronto International Airport when in 1960 William became an active member of the Canadian Air Services Association. He served as president of the local before being elected to the national executive.

His first involvement with the national was in 1975 as the Ontario Regional Vice-President. Brother Freifeld was elected First Vice-President at the 1978 Convention in Halifax. Six months later, President Guy Jacob ran for the PSAC Convention and was elected Vice-President. Brother Freifeld then became President of UCTE and served until 1981. After thirty-four years in the public service, he retired as a Fire Chief at the Toronto Airport.

