

# Sunshine Advocate

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The death occurred in a motor accident in Holland last week of a well-known St. Albans resident, Mr. Adrian Van Kuyk.

Only a few short weeks ago, Mr. Van Kuyk's fourth son, Rene, was married to Colleen Buckingham, the daughter of the well known Mr. Clem and Mrs. Betty Buckingham.

At the reception, mention was made of Mr. Van Kuyk's trip to Holland with his wife, Catherine. The main purpose of the trip was to see his elderly mother.

Just over two weeks ago they left by plane for Holland where they saw friends and relatives they'd not seen for nearly 20 years.

It was arranged that they would journey by car to other countries in Europe to see other members of the family but this trip was not to be.

Mr. Van Kuyk was in a stationary car with his wife's brother when another car crashed into them, resulting in the deaths of both.

Through determination, skill and hard work, Mr. Van Kuyk had done well in Australia. At St. Albans Building Supplies, where he worked for many years, he was known as "the little glass man" because he was, amongst many other things, a glass cutter for that firm.

He was also a good carpenter and worked as a sub-contractor to Horse-

fall Homes in his early years in Australia.

Mr. Van Kuyk was highly respected by all who knew him. He was competent, reliable and most conscientious in all that he undertook.

The people of St. Albans offer their sincere sympathy to his wife and family.

**Centenary trees for residents**

All ratepayers in Sunshine may be presented with a tree to commemorate the centenary of the proclamation of the Shire of Braybrook in January next year.

At last week's meeting of Sunshine Council, Cr Vic Parsons successfully moved that the parks and gardens superintendent, Mr. Ken Trafford, report on the possibility of ratepayers being presented with a tree each.

The Director of Welfare Services, Mr. Colin Benjamin has been asked to report on the possible means of distributing the trees.