



Canada's Resource Champion



Jane Gaffin

Mining pioneer (*nominated posthumously*)

Jane was the first woman to sit on the executive of the Yukon Chamber of Mines.

In 2005, the Yukon Prospectors Association inducted Jane Gaffin to the Honour Roll in recognition of her many years of support to the industry. Her name is one of several engraved at the base of a bronze statue of a prospector on Main Street, Whitehorse, Yukon. She passed away in 2015 after a battle with lung cancer. She was 73 years old.

Highlights from Jane's nomination

Throughout her career, Jane wrote many articles in support of the mining industry in the Yukon. She started out writing articles for *The Star*, where she discovered her love for the industry after doing a special research assignment into the territory's 1898 Gold Rush mining history.

Later, she became a freelance writer who acted as a voice for the mining industry. Her numerous analyses on subjects such as mining, law, economy, politics, justice and firearms have appeared often in local, national and international publications and posted on various websites.

Nominated by Rick Karp, president, Whitehorse Chamber of Commerce