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Community mourns the passing of lacrosse legend George 'Pidgie' Norton

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(Kahnawake – 11, Onerahtókha/April 2018) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to offer condolences to the family, friends and former teammates of Kahnawà:ke lacrosse legend George 'Pidgie' Norton, who passed away early today.

Mr. Norton was regarded as one of the very best and most exciting players of his generation. He was elected to the Ontario Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 1997 after a stellar career that included playing professionally for the Montreal Quebecois of the original National Lacrosse League in the mid-1970's.

He was also a standout hockey player who excelled as a junior with the Lachine Maroons. He was also an 'A-class' golfer.

"As a former lacrosse player, I heard a great many stories about Pidgie's exploits," said Ratsénhaienhs Carl Horn, who holds the Sports & Recreation portfolio for the MCK. "There was always a consensus that he was one of the two best Kahnawà:ke players of the past fifty years or so (the other being Barry Delisle). He was a fan favorite and inspiration for countless kids in town. He was known and greatly respected throughout the lacrosse world."