

Barb Taylor

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Barb came to Canada from Virginia to study French in Montreal and there met John Taylor. She planned to major in International Studies but switched after hearing most women grads ended up as typists in overseas embassies.

When John proposed, her father commented he should think twice as “the women in this family are tough and very demanding.”

In Nova Scotia they opened up Bread and Roses B&B, restoring a huge old mansion. After eight years, they moved to Halifax where Barb worked for the Provincial Archives.

Next Barb and John took two years traveling across Canada microfilming (!) all the Unitarian Universalist congregational records across Canada, ending in BC where they settled and joined UCV. Barb was active in the Raging Grannies and the Women’s International League For Peace and Freedom.

Barb and John were awarded the Knight Award jointly for “Outstanding Achievement in furthering Unitarian Universalist Principles in Canada” in 2015.

