

THE TREE'S STORY

Larch trees

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Ward Street



For the last 6 years the Port Hope water tower and these two giant trees have notified me that I have arrived “home again”. They stand stately tall, with a slight lean towards down town. I can see them the minute I enter Ward Street off of Hope or come up the hill on Ward off of Mill St.

They are not geometrically perfect but they are a sight for sore eyes when I have been away for a while. Even in the darkness of the evening I spot them standing head and shoulders above all the other trees on the street. I tell visitors “just look for the tallest stately trees on Ward. That is my home.” Over the years their growth has encircled the hydro and telephone lines requiring some trimming. But their majesty has not diminished. May the prevailing winds be gentle with these giants; my beacons to home.