## **2018 GLAO Distinguished Service Award Recipient:**

## Dr. Raymond G. Bozek

Dr. Bozek received his D.D.S. (1963) and his orthodontic specialty certificate (1968) from the University of Toronto. His professional memberships included: Past President of the Toronto Orthodontic Club (1974), the Past President of the Ontario Association of Orthodontists (1981) and the Past President of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists (1988). He received the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Award in 2012 for his contribution and excellence in his field. In 2016, he received the Ontario Association of Orthodontists Distinguished Award from his peers for his accomplishments and contributions.

In 1968, Dr. Bozek began his Burlington orthodontic practice with Dr. Frank Popovich. Good fortune happened in 1996, as his son John joined the practice. In the following years, this opportunity allowed him to ease into retirement. He was a clinical instructor at the postgraduate department of orthodontics at the Department of Orthodontics at the University of Toronto for over 30 years. He has presented lectures and courses to local societies and to orthodontist specialists throughout the world. His field of expertise was self-legating brackets.

This year, Dr. Bozek is celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> year as an orthodontist and his 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary with his wife, Violet. They have 3 children: John, Michael (Burlington), Ann (Raleigh, NC) and 6 grandsons. They count their good fortune and blessings.