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William Martin Alleyne Cecil, 7th Marquess of Exeter

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BIOGRAPHY

Born into the senior Exeter branch of the Cecil family, Martin was the second son of William Thomas Brownlow Cecil, 5th Marquess of Exeter, and Myra Rowena Sibell Orde-Powlett. He moved to Canada in 1930 to manage the family ranch at 100 Mile House, British Columbia. After the death of his elder brother David, 6th Marquess of Exeter, on 21 October 1981, he inherited the Exeter marquessate. He died on 12 January 1988 and was succeeded by his only son Michael.

NOTES / SOURCES

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