

REMEMBERING

Mary Hilda Holland

July 14, 1924 - December 11, 2014



Mary passed away peacefully in The Residence of Mission (TRIM) at the age of 90 She leaves behind her loving daughter Fran (Mike) Harty; son George (Cheryl) Holland; grandchildren Michelle (Nolan) Riley; Athena (Ron) Paling; Matt (Diana) Harty; Rod (Erin) Aubichon; Sheri George; 11 great grandchildren; sister Ruth (Leonard) Holland; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Mary was born in Melaval Saskatchewan and moved to the Loveridge dairy farm in Pitt Meadows, BC when she was eight years old. She completed her senior matriculation in Maple Ridge and was a former employee/resident at the Bank of Commerce on Washington St., Mission, BC (now known as the Mission Museum on First Avenue).

After World War II, in 1946, she married her childhood sweetheart, veteran Lawrence Holland, and they settled in Pitt Meadows. The love of the north country drew them to a log cabin in Quesnel where they lived until 1953, and then to Maple Ridge for 47 years, retiring in Mission in 1991.

She was renowned for her home baked pies at the Pana Bode diner in Maple Ridge. Her love of music was expressed in the many instruments she played. Mary's enjoyment of family especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren leave a legacy of cherished memories.

Mary was predeceased by her father Byron Loveridge; her mother Frances; her brothers Tom and George; and her sisters Lucy and Mabel. Mary was greatly loved and will be sorely missed.

A Memorial Service will be held at Bakerview Community Crematorium and Celebration Centre, 34863 Cemetery Avenue, Mission, at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 21, 2015.

Our special thanks to Dr. Peter Barnsdale, and especially to the staff and volunteers at TRIM. In lieu of flowers, the family would greatly appreciate donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

