

Ann Shepherd

Ann Shepherd died just after 9:00 pm on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 after a long and happy life. She was 87 years old. Annie loved and was loved by her husband of 60 years, Bishop Ron Shepherd who died in 2012.

She was also a mother, librarian, beekeeper and hospice volunteer. Her passions included sewing avant-garde outfits that dazzled the communities she lived in. She loved throwing parties and would cook from dawn to dusk for days in preparation. Another passion of hers was hats. Whether heading to the beach for a lazy day of reading under an umbrella, or marching in a peace protest or dining out, Annie always had the right hat. But her greatest passion was children. She was a counselor at Camp Columbia in her teens and a children's librarian in Montreal in her fifties, and in between those years, she raised six children of her own. And with that many children, the memories are myriad. From long winter nights rocking them to sleep to ease their earaches or nightmares, to those endless summer days at the Lake, with melting revels in the sand, the soothing balm of her hands on their sunburned shoulders, and an unforgettably graceful front crawl, she was their hero. A measuring stick for grace and character, Annie, a graduate of UBC and McGill, lived with her husband Ron on Salt Spring Island where they entertained friends from all over and were always happy to see their children, Mary, Jeremy, Christopher, Susie (2013), Timothy and Peter and 8 grandchildren. We will miss her so much.

Her Funeral Service will be held at All Saints by the Sea in Ganges on Salt Spring Island on Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 2:00 pm.

Please make your donations to Canadian Cancer Society or Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.

Condolences may be offered below.

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