

Bernice Olive Neville (nee Bray)

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Bernice Olive Neville (née Bray). Olive was born Feb. 10, 1916 in Saskatoon and raised in Guernsey Saskatchewan. Olive worked in Melfort, Saskatchewan until she married Bill Neville in 1942 and settled in Tisdale, Saskatchewan where they raised their children, Lloyd and Linda. In 1961, the family moved to Victoria, BC. In 1963, Olive began working as a housemother at the Royal Jubilee Nursing School, retiring in 1981 as senior housemother. She will be fondly remembered by many of the RJH nursing graduates. Olive was a lifetime member of the 'Swinging Strings' ukulele band and for more than 20 years she played bass keyboard and performed regularly for seniors throughout Victoria. She was predeceased by her husband Bill in 1981, her sister Grace Fehler and brother Keith Bray in 2005. Her younger brother, Fred Bray, lives in Edmonton, Alberta. Olive was treasured by her children, Lloyd (and Bonnie) Neville and Linda Neville, grandchildren Laurie (Troy) Robinson, Mark Neville and Meghan Mathias, and great grandchildren Bailey, Bradley and Cody Robinson. Olive will be deeply missed by her family and friends and her companions at the Orchard. The family wishes to express our sincere gratitude to the staff of Royal Jubilee Hospital Emergency Department, 2 West and in particular Victoria Hospice for the excellent and compassionate care to Olive.

A Service in Memory of Olive will be held in MCCALL BROS. FLORAL CHAPEL, Johnson & Vancouver Streets at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, December 1, 2010. A reception will follow in the McCall's Family Centre. Tributes in lieu of flowers may be made to the Victoria Hospice Society, 1952 Bay Street, Victoria, BC V8R 1J8. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.mccallbros.com.