

Dorothy Alice Zabel (nee Norbury)

With great sadness, Dorothy's family announces the passing of their beloved mother, sister, grandmother and great-grandmother. The second oldest of seven children, Dorothy is survived by her siblings, Walter, Jim, Don, and Loretta and was predeceased by her parents, Dudley and Anah (Jackson) Norbury; brother, George and sister Roberta.

Wavy dark hair, big blue eyes, and a porcelain face, ensured the beautiful Dorothy was crowned Miss Sidney at age 17. This beauty queen style and persona parlayed into a life filled with abundance and joy.

Dorothy married Jack Zabel, the love of her life, on April 10, 1948 and had two children, David (Maureen) and Linda Long (Charles). The consummate housewife, Dorothy happily filled her days with taking care of the household and everyone in it. She and Jack showed their children the importance of putting family first, the value of hard work, the comfort of warm sunny destinations, the passion of sport and physical activity and the beauty of a garden.

Dorothy was an active member of Uplands Golf Club for over 55 years and also enjoyed travelling to many parts of the world with her husband, Jack.

She was also a devoted Grandma to her 4 grandchildren: Christina, Melanie, Andrew and Derek, spoiling them with love, which continued to reinforce the importance of family. There was never a shortage of quality time with Grandma. Dorothy also had 6 great-grandchildren who held a special place in her heart: Heather, Brandon, Alex, Victoria, Parker and Mae.

Dorothy was the perfect picture of elegance and loved every bit of luxury that life had to offer. For her, luxury could

be found in the simplest of things: a clean and well organized home, hummingbirds at her feeder and the fragrant flowers she planted in her garden every year.

The family would like to thank Dorothy's brother, Don, who was her rock throughout her courageous battle, Sidney All Care and its staff and Saanich Peninsula Hospital for her palliative care, particularly RNs Charlene and Kelly.

There will be no service by request.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Dorothy's memory can be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society, or to a charity of one's choice.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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