

Gertrude Hazel Onhasey (nee Tobin)

Passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on July 27, 2010 at age 79. She was born in Saskatoon on April 15, 1931, the only daughter of Emmet and Hazel Tobin. She is survived by her ever-proud husband Stan, daughter Kathleen of Maple Ridge, BC, Cousins Helen of Lake Cowichan, Dorothy of San Diego, Calif, and Walter of Sonoma Calif.

She received her early schooling at a Convent in Biggar; Little Flower Academy, UBC first year Arts, and Normal School in Vancouver, where she began a teaching career to which she became thoroughly dedicated. Following marriage with Stan, she attended night classes at UVIC and earned a B.Ed. which enabled her to proceed with many years of employment specializing as a Learning Assistance Teacher at various elementary schools in the Saanich District. Children with a variety of problems benefited greatly from assistance provided for them by a caring and dedicated teacher.

Added to her love of teaching, her abiding interests were: her Catholic Faith, women's causes, anti-war, and aid for those who are deprived and in need. Her compassion was manifested in her on-going donations to various charities in the Victoria Area.

She led a truly exemplary life.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Monsignor Michael Lapierre in HOLY CROSS CHURCH, 4049 Gordon Head Road, on Wednesday, August 4th at 11:00 a.m., followed by a reception. Interment thereafter at Royal Oak Burial Park. Tributes, if desired, may be made to the Arthritis Society of BC, 2680 Richmond Road, Victoria, BC V8R 6W4. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.mccallbros.com