

Goldie Carlow (Hannah)

Goldie passed away peacefully in Victoria on August 17, 2016 at the age of 97. Born in Leroy, Saskatchewan on November 12, 1918. She was predeceased by her husband Francis, (Bubs) in 1981; her son, Pat in 1977 and her grandson, Geordie in 2013.

She is survived by her son, Dennis (Brenda) Carlow; her daughters, Judi (Vick) Henderson; Marilyn (Cliff) Simpson; Donna (Jody) Griffiths and daughter-in-law, Bobbie Carlow. Eleven grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Goldie was the youngest daughter of Richard and Ethel Hannah (nee Franklin). She spent most of her youth in Saskatchewan until the family moved to BC in the 30's. In 1942, she graduated from the St. Joseph School of Nursing in Victoria. She worked at St. Joseph's Hospital for many years as the Head Nurse of the Annex and then as Head Nurse for 1A until retiring in 1979. She also owned and managed Austin Lodge Rest Home from 1966 to 1976.

After finishing her nursing career, she attended U.Vic and completed a BA in Psych and Sociology and then went on to receive her Masters of Ed in Counselling. With her certification as a Clinical Counselor, she volunteered her time to local agencies. As a founding member of Senior Peer Counselling of BC, she developed manuals for the accreditation of workers and volunteers. She also developed specific programs for other local and national organizations such as CNIB, Workers with Disabilities Project of BC and the Cowichan First Nations Elders. She lectured across Canada and helped to start Peer Counselling in other cities and provinces.

In 2001, Goldie was very proud to be the recipient of U. Vic's V.E.R.A. Award for her lifetime service of helping others. She also enjoyed reaching out to others as regular columnist for

Senior Living Magazine with her "Ask Goldie" column.

Goldie, Nana or mom will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. She was a very special person.

A Celebration of Life Service and Reception will be held on Friday, September 16, 2016 at 2:30 pm in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SPCA in Goldie's name.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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