

Helen Lucile Simpson

SIMPSON, Helen Lucile (Prendergast) Born in Courtenay, B.C. Oct. 24, 1914, passed away peacefully May 25, 2011. Predeceased by her first husband Ken in 1988, infant twin children Robert Douglas and Reita Margaret (1938), brother James Prendergast of Toronto (2005), sisters Dorothy Ashby of Port Alberni (2000), Muriel Hart of North Vancouver (2010), and second husband J. James Tanner (1992). She is survived by her daughters Patricia (Phillip Boulsbee) and Elizabeth (Michael Grayson), granddaughter Sylvia (Antonio Barroso), great-grandson Leandro, and good friends Joan and Gerry Guest and their family. Helen was active for many years in the First Metropolitan United Church, and George Pringle Camp. During the war she was active in the YMCA War Service Secretary, and later with the Victoria Toastmistress Club, Victoria Lions Auxiliary, Gorge Rd Hospital Auxiliary, and the UVic Centre on Aging. She was a founding member of the Family Caregivers Network, and in 2003 received the Caring Canadian Award for her lifetime of volunteering. She also received the Valued Elder" award from the Centre on Aging in 2004. The family wishes to thank Shakti and Phyllis; workers from Beacon Community Support Services; Dr. Philip Huggett and the staff of Victoria Hospice. Memorial service to be held 3:00 pm May 31 at First Metropolitan United Church Sanctuary, 932 Balmoral Rd. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Family Caregivers Network, Victoria Hospice, First Metropolitan United Church, or Victoria Women's Sexual Assault Centre. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.mccallbros.com .