

Ida Laura Murtha

On January 24, 2022 this kind and gentle soul passed from us to be with her husband Earnie, other family and all her beloved four-legged friends who went before.

Soon after arriving from England in 1959, Ida began work in the cafeteria at Royal Jubilee Hospital. It was here she would meet and later marry Earnie.

After spending many happy years at the “Jube” retirement to their “mini farm” on Walnut Street followed.

Here there was plenty of room for dogs and a chance to become virtually self-sufficient. It was a fine place where life-long friendships with many neighbours were formed.

After Earnie’s passing, Ida relocated to a quiet family neighbourhood where she was able to entertain the family she loved as well as many friends.

With passing years, changing health and finally this terrible pandemic she accepted an offer to stay with her niece Linda where she was safe, comfortable and very happy, remaining here until the last few days of her life.

“Auntie” Ida as she was known to so many (not only nieces and nephews) was a truly beautiful person with a generous spirit and a loving heart, always able to find the best in people and keep a positive attitude. Quiet and gentle in nature she was, however, possessed of a stoicism and strong will which helped her survive adversity.

Her love of animals provided much happiness – whether it was feeding the birds, getting some love from a neighbour’s dog, or sharing her bed with Linda’s cat.

We were fortunate she was a part of so many lives and the world is a sadder place for her loss.

Sadly Missed...Lovingly Remembered

By

Her family locally, in Alberta and in England, and her many
dear friends.

Our family wishes to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many
caregivers who helped Auntie Ida and in particular for the
kindness and compassion she and we received from the teams at
Victoria Hospice.

For now a small private service at Royal Oak Burial Park.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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