

Irene Winifred Cass

Irene passed away peacefully on May 22, 2008. Irene was recently predeceased by Ian, her husband of 60 years. She will be greatly missed by her children Pauline, Janet & David, grandchildren Jody, Sara & Matthew, great-grandchildren Alyssa & Summer, sister Joyce & brother-in-law Ken in England & son-in-laws Jim & Allan.

Irene was born in London England. She served in the British army as a sergeant, A.T.S. where she met Ian. They moved to Canada in 1952 & lived in Toronto ON, Georgetown ON, Montreal PQ, Winnipeg MB & finally Victoria BC in 1974.

Music, gardening, animals & the environment were Irene's passions. As a young woman, she performed on the small stage, demonstrating her quick wit & extraordinary singing voice. Irene was born with a green thumb, always able to turn ordinary dirt into the most beautiful & admired garden. She opened her heart & home to many animals & supported many worthy animal rights efforts. Irene was an avid environmentalist, recycling & saving water long before it was popular. Through her life, she instilled these passions & shared these gifts with her children.

Irene will be remembered for her natural talents & charm, friendship, warmth & selflessness. Farewell to her co-workers at Superannuation, co-volunteer at the Royal Jubilee Auxiliary, members of the bowling team, friends & neighbours.

As per Irene's wishes, there will not be a formal service.