

Joan Mary Eldridge

Joan passed away peacefully surrounded by family on October 12th, 2021 at the Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria, BC. She will be dearly missed and lovingly remembered by her daughters, sons, and family: Catherine (Nick Fowler), Elizabeth (Michael Hogg), Richard (Mavis), John (Monica Fiederer), David; grandchildren: Dagny, Kaitlyn, Scott, Shaun, Andrea, Sam, Rosa, Sally; great-grandchildren: Elizabeth, Edward, Dominic, Annabelle, Erik, Isabella, and Hunter.

She was born in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan in 1926. The family moved to Vancouver Island in 1936 where Joan married her childhood sweetheart, Richard Eldridge at the age of 19. In 1954 Joan and Richard along with their children travelled to Portsmouth, England where husband Richard completed Naval Officer training in the Royal Navy. The family returned to Canada in 1955. The family travelled extensively across Canada and finally returned to Victoria where Richard retired in 1974.

Even with a large family, she went on to get her degree in fine arts from the University of Victoria. She was a member of the Victoria Sketch Club where she made many lifelong friends. Joan was predeceased by her husband Richard Eldridge who passed away in 2005. Joan is survived by her sister Margaret (Howard Lloyd) and her brother Doug Murray.

The family would like to thank all of the paramedics and healthcare staff who cared for Joan and gave them the opportunity to be with her.

The family members would like to thank their brother David for all of his care and companionship to their mother Joan.

A celebration of life will be announced once COVID restrictions have been lifted. Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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