

June Yelland – Carlson



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our mother, June Yelland-Carlson. Mum was born on March 20, 1934 in Boscombe Hospital, Bournemouth, England to hoteliers, Joseph and Nellie Palmer. She spent her early years in WWII of which she had many stories, as it affected her whole life. Mum was the eldest sister to Christina, Paul, and David.

Mum always wanted to be a nurse and she trained at King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor, England as an R.N. There, she met her first husband, Peter. They married in 1956 at Christchurch Priory and in 1957, emigrated to B.C. By 1961, they settled in Duncan and over time, built their dream home, Tanglewood House, on Quamichan Lake. Mum joined the Duncan Musical club where she was an active member, both in front and behind the scenes. In 1969, Mum and Peter started the Polyphonic Singers, a hundred-voice choir. Mum returned to the nursing full time in 1975 and relished doing what she loved best. (Second only to being a Mother). In 1986, she met her second husband, Richard, through the Newcombe Singers and married in 1989. They had five years together at Tanglewood. By 1992, retired, she moved to Victoria to be near family. She volunteered at the Royal B.C. Museum as a Docent, but also worked in many departments and in April, will receive a twenty-five-year recognition award. Mum also joined Christ Church Cathedral where she thoroughly enjoyed arranging the flowers and being part of the Healing Ministry. She was also a patron of the Victoria Symphony and the Monarchist League, and she loved to travel.

Mum spent her last year at Mount Tolmie Hospital, where she

was cared for by many fabulous people. Thank you to all of them!

Mum was predeceased by her husband Richard and survived by her four greatest pleasures and accomplishments, Elizabeth Yelland, Katrina (Carey) Cleaver, Sarah (Barney) Sharp and Melissa (David) Simpson; her seven grandchildren, Christopher (Kristen), Andrew and Nicholas Cleaver, Marie and Emma Sharp and Olivia and Sophia Simpson; three great-grandchildren, Cadence, Phoenix and Leighton Cleaver; her siblings, Christina, Paul, and David plus many relatives in England.

A Funeral will be held at Christ Church Cathedral 930 Burdett Avenue, Victoria, BC on Monday, April 30, 2018 at 11:00 am. A tea will follow at the Church.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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