

Katharina (Kathy) Kalinger

Our dear Mom died peacefully in Victoria on January 27, 2017, at the age of 90. Predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Peter, she is survived by her loving family, daughters Monika Semmens (Ted) and Susan Ellis (Bruce) and son Peter (Kathryn); grandchildren Kristin Semmens (Derek Little), Jessica Larouche (Jeff), Rebecca Kalinger, Max Ellis, and her great-grandchildren Sophie and Sally Larouche and Annika and Turner Little.

Mom was strong, loving, compassionate and devoted to her family. She was born in a German village in Serbia. Her deep faith gave her the strength to overcome many challenges in her life: fleeing an invading army during the war, giving birth while living in a displaced person's camp in Germany and then immigrating to Canada, where their third child was later born, with no English and just the clothes on their backs. Despite the hardships, she provided a loving home for her family while labouring tirelessly to help her husband build a successful roofing business in Ottawa. Her warm smile and cheerful disposition brought joy to every life she touched. Her kind-hearted and gentle nature will be deeply missed.

We thank the amazing staff at Kiwanis Pavilion for their kind and dedicated care of Mom and for making the pavilion a loving home. Mom especially enjoyed the musical entertainment at which she just had to get up and dance. Special thanks to Dr. John Jollymore.

A Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2017 in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive with interment to follow at Royal Oak Burial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Oak Bay Kiwanis Pavilion Foundation, 3034 Cedar Hill Rd., Victoria, BC, V8T 3J3, would

be appreciated.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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