

Mae Jacques

Mae Jacques died May 23, 2009 with family at her side and in her heart. She was elegant, interesting and interested to her dying day at age 92. Born Mae Catherine Davidson in Shoal Lake Manitoba, she remained a lifelong lover of the prairies despite living at various times in Ontario, Florida and, at the time of her death, Victoria, BC. Mae went to Winnipeg as a young woman to pursue a nursing career and at the St. Boniface Sanatorium met a dashing young resident, Robert Jacques, who became her beloved husband of 63 years, until his death in 2004. Over the years, Mae served as her husband's assistant and regularly accompanied him on his calls to those shut in by immobility or illness. Mae was one of the most effective of her husband's medical treatments. Until her death, her warm and sunny disposition lifted the spirits of many a "shut-in". Mae will be missed by her three children, Sharon Driscoll (Richard), Betty Prosser (Frank) and Robert (Pamela Waygood); her three grand-children (Mike, Marsha and Steve) and four great grandchildren (Sydney, Erin, Arman and Ronan). Mae is predeceased by two siblings, Margaret Taylor (Scottie) of Olds Alberta and "Jack" Davidson (Edith) of Plymouth UK. Mae and Bob had a long friendship with the families of the late Leo Jacques and Flo Zunic of Winnipeg and the late Cecile Vallee of Tillsonburg, Ontario. Mae greatly valued all her friends and they reciprocated enthusiastically. She maintained the friends of her youth for life. When writing became difficult, her telephone became her daily link to her friends. Her dear friend, Bernie Bashaw, will miss their nightly chats.

Following the 10:00 am Mass at St. Jean Baptiste Paroisse Francaise, 301 Richmond, Victoria on Sunday, June 7, 2009, parishioners and friends are invited to share in refreshments and remembrances. In addition, Mae's friends and neighbors are invited to Beckley Farm Lodge at 530 Simcoe, Victoria on Saturday June 6, 2009 at 4:00 pm for refreshments with Mae's

family. Betty Jacques Prosser gave unfailing support to both Bob and Mae in their later life. She enhanced their days and comforted them in their declining health. Special thanks to Michel Bourque and the staff of Beckley Farm Lodge. They gave joyful service to both Bob and Mae in their final years. If you wish to honour Mae, please make a donation to a charity of your choice.