

# Margaret Richardson Rolfe (nee Smith)

Born in Vancouver, BC, Margaret passed away in her 93rd year preceded by her brothers, Hugh, William, Robert and George and her husband, Clifford Rolfe in 2010. Marg loved her nieces and nephews and family, in Vancouver, Jean Honig, Janet Ling, Mike Smith, in Australia, Jaye Smith, Bob Smith, in Victoria, John Ozard (Dianne) who were like a son and daughter to her, Jerome Ozard, Joel Ozard, and Julie Smart. Margaret was schooled at Gilmore and Burnaby North and moved to Victoria



where she worked for the BC Government for many years. Marg was married in 1969 to her best friend, Cliff and although they were never blessed with children, they had two furry friends which they spoiled rotten (Shebia and Tia). These kids ran the household. Marg was very quiet till she knew you, then watch out! She was brought up very old schooled (they were one of the last people in Victoria to procure a VCR), a tad stubborn and very generous (they were life members of

the SPCA). Marg enjoyed boating in their Chris-Craft, playing the organ, doing word puzzles, gardening, cruising the malls, walks (she never did get around to getting her driver's licence) and anything sweet. She enjoyed the various cruises and trips to Scotland, Germany, Mexico, Hawaii and Australia.

The family also wishes to thank her Care Workers, Doctors and Nurses at Ross Place and Sidney Care Home and her Personal Caregivers (Val, Debbie) who kept her and them laughing, keeping up with her new hairstyles and manicures, and her bedside drawer could always be found with a stash of her chocolates. Her friendship with her roommate, Joan brought out a cheekiness in both of them, as they ended up being joined at

the hip cruising the hall's daily getting into mischief.

A Celebration of Life and Reception will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive in Victoria at 10:00 am on Monday, January 14, 2019. Please view our link: <https://youtu.be/7MB-pu6BLk0>

Flowers are declined and donations may be given to the SPCA or a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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### **ODE TO AUNT MARG**

A special Smith was born — On October 26, 1925

An addition to Hugh, Will, Bob – and later George made five

Her Dad, Hugh Irvine immigrated to Australia– Then came to BC

And settled in Vancouver with wife Jenny, to raise their family

In those days there were no credit cards – Everything was bought with cash

People saved and used everything – There was hardly any trash

Hugh built a small shack on Willington – Temporary accommodation built with pride

It took 12 years to finish the new house – It even had toilets inside!

Her dad was a school janitor – Her mom worked nights, and days

at home

Believe it or not the Smith's were – First in her area to get a phone

Growing up it was helping with meals – for her brothers and the odd school lad

Marg had no interest in boys – So at night it was walks with her dad

It was then off to Victoria, Good Acre Towers – Was her residence for years

The pool out front was a source – Of lots of yelling and cheers

There was a special guy – You could always see her with

Cliff Rolfe was smitten – By the beautiful Margaret Smith

Marg loved boating on Cliff's Chris Craft – The Elfor C

That was C Rolfe spelt backwards – You see

Trips to Friday Harbour with our gals – Was the place to go

Even a younger Malcolm – After a few US Beers needed a tow

Cliff knew that there was something – Missing in his life

And he pursued Margaret Smith – And she finally became his wife

They lived and looked after my grandfather – For a few years

Then off to Gordon Head with no yard plants – Because of the

deer's

Marg loved cats and the Shebia and Tia where the best  
Life members of the SPCA – Their donations helped the rest  
These cats would always win – And they would always loose  
One even liked the new litter box – A pair of Cliff's shoes!

Marg loved to play the organ – Their Broadmead house had a few  
They entertained club members – On an occasion or two  
The residents had many silk carpets – With great eye appeal  
Because we would frequent the auctions – And always got a DEAL

After Cliff passed away – It was off to a place called Ross  
For about 4 years – She was her own boss  
No cooking, cleaning – So lots of time for a rest  
Movies, daytrips – But the chocolate desserts were the best

In her final years – It was off to Sidney Care  
Joan, neighbour of Dianne's parents – Was her roommate there  
They were joined at the hip – Going everywhere with their  
walkers  
Both loved the young male care aides – I think that they were  
stalkers

Marg was blessed to have – Many people and family care

Val was very attentive – With walks, nails and hair

Debbie was like a deputy – shooting banter from the Lip

Marg was the sheriff ready with comments – and would just let it rip

Many thanks to Sidney Care – Family, nurses, and caregivers here

It was consoling to family members – When the time was near

Her closest family and care workers – Were there the previous day

But she waited for a quiet moment –To control the moment she slipped away

My Aunt was thoughtful, generous, and gracious – with a great loving smile

She is now with Cliff, her brothers, family – in her long last mile

Our thoughts go out to all, especially those with hearts on the mend

Thank you for being our Aunt – And especially our friend

John and Dianne Ozard