

Mary Hanford

Predeceased by her husband Lucky (2004). Remembered by sons Scott (Vicki), Don(Nancy), stepson Barry (Glynis), stepdaughter Collette (Chris), 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. At the age of 97, Mary passed away peacefully at the RJH Hospice in Victoria, BC. Born in Edmonton, Alberta on the Skoreiko family farm, she was the second youngest of 8, with 5 brothers and 2 sisters.

In 1941, Mary came on holiday to Victoria and decided she was staying, getting her first job at the Shipyards as a hot rivet catcher. Following that she worked at the Princess Mary restaurant and the Empress Hotel for many years. In her early life, Mary volunteered with the cub scouts for 14 years where she met many of her closest friends and then later in life at The Broadmead Lodge. In 1985 Mary remarried to Lucky Hanford and the many excursions began. After retirement, Mary and Lucky spent many years going back and forth from Abee, Alberta, where they lived the farm life, to Vancouver Island where they enjoyed boating and gardening. They settled in Ladysmith building a home of their home before making their final move to Victoria to be closer to family.

Mary was an amazing mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. We will miss her immensely. She lived a great life and we are so thankful for all the time we had with her.

A Celebration of Mary's life will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.

All others are invited to attend virtually via Zoom by clicking the following link.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85726005909?pwd=c3ROVENNZz1DN29MRWl1T3ZrWklzUT09>

Please use your video camera when joining so that family in attendance can see you and feel your support.

Donations in lieu of flowers to BC Cancer Agency or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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