

Ruth Isabel Howell (nee Wilson)

August 25, 1908 – September 25, 2010

Passed away peacefully at Oak Bay Lodge nursing home on Saturday, September 25, 2010. Predeceased by her husband, John Paul (Jack) in 1978; sister, Jean Fields in 2006 and brother, Cleaver Wilson in 2005. Survived by daughter, Marjorie of Victoria, son, Don and daughter-in-law, Judy of Penticton; grandson, Jeff, wife Sylvia and great-granddaughter, Brianna of Richmond, B.C.; grandson, Jonathan, wife, Catherine of Hamilton, Ontario; brother-in-law, Bob Fields and family and several cousins. Ruth was born and raised in Victoria (Gladstone Ave.); attended Normal School there and subsequently enjoyed a teaching career in Victoria and Nanaimo on the Island and 10 years in Smithers, B.C. After finishing her teaching career in Smithers, Ruth returned to Victoria where she met and married Jack. She was sustained throughout her life by a strong Christian faith and was a devout adherent of the United Church of Canada. She was active in the United Church Women at what was then First United Church. For the past 11 years, Ruth resided at Oak Bay Lodge where she made many friends among residents and staff. A special thanks to the dedicated staff of 2nd Maple.

A Memorial Service will be held for Ruth at First Metropolitan United Church, 932 Balmoral Road, Victoria, BC, V8T 1A8 in the Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 2, 2010. Donations in Ruth's memory would be appreciated to First Metropolitan Capital Funds Project. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.mccallbros.com.