

Sheilah Lawrence Yorke (née McPhail)

In loving memory of Sheilah Lawrence Yorke (née McPhail), who passed away peacefully on November 8th, 2022 in Victoria, BC. Sheilah was born in Nelson, BC on February 24th, 1939. She was predeceased by her husband Peter, her parents and her sister-in-law Ann. She will be greatly missed by daughters Melinda and Jenny, brother-in-law Bill, nephews Matthew and Michael, great niece and nephew Mia and Matthew, and her many neighbours and friends.

Sheilah grew up in Nelson BC, where she filled her days with school, piano, figure skating practice, and walking up and down the town's hundreds of stairs daily. After finishing high school, she moved to Vancouver where she taught piano and attended UBC. After marrying Peter Yorke, the couple moved to Victoria where her two daughters, Melinda and Jenny, were born. Always a devoted mom, she was very involved in their lives. Her love of music led Sheilah to continue to teach piano in Victoria for many years. She was also involved with the Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival. Sheilah was on the initial board of the Oak Bay Figure Skating Club, and volunteered as a figure skating judge for many years. She was a member of Christ Church Cathedral. In her later years, Sheilah enjoyed time with friends and family, going for walks, listening to music, watching the sunset, and having a mug of hot chocolate and bowl of vanilla ice cream every evening.

Thank you to the staff at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Dr Spink, Dr MacPherson, Dr Stansfield, and Dr Velez for the wonderful kindness and caring support they gave Sheilah.

A Funeral Service will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, Quadra at Rockland, on Wednesday, November 23, 2022, at 2:00 pm.

Donations in Sheilah's memory can be sent to the Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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