

Winnifred Rose Hawthorne (nee Smith)

Rose was born October 24, 1934, in Victoria, BC and she passed May 5, 2026, at 91 years old at Victoria General Hospital.

Predeceased by her husband, Bud (Arthur) Hawthorne, parents Herb and Winnie Smith, and sister Trudie Wootten. She is survived by her nephews and nieces Allan, Michael, Christy, Steven, and Karen Wootten, many cousins and great-nieces and nephews.

Rose married Bud in 1957 and after living for a short time in Calgary, Alberta, moved back to Langford, BC, where she lived until her passing.

Rose was skillful at many crafts including sewing, knitting, and crocheting and won many ribbons at the fair for her talents.

She taught skating at the local arena for many years. Many will remember Rose as VE7KL as she took up the short-wave radio hobby; she was very active with the Victoria Amateur Radio Club and could be heard checking-in every morning.

In her later years, her passion was genealogy and she spent many hours researching her family history. She made trips to eastern Canada and England to see gravesites and to find more family information. The stacks of documents she gathered is a testament to her dedication and ability. Technological advancement was not a barrier for her, she learned how to use the computer to further her research and to document all the information she collected.

Internment will take place on September 11, 2026 at 12:00 at Royal Oak Burial Park, [4673 Falaise Drive, Victoria, BC](#). This will be followed by a tea at [2988 Glen Lake Road](#) at 2:00.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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