



Sylvia Louise Jmaiff December 24, 1941 – January 3, 2014

It is with saddened and heavy hearts that we announce the crossing over of our beloved mother, wife, and Nana on January 3, 2014 at the Boundary Hospital surrounded by her family, friends and love. In 1999 she bravely fought and beat breast cancer and was clean for 13 years from the dreadful disease. But this time it was a battle with heart and renal failure that there was no cure for and she lost her battle.

Sylvia was born on December 24, 1941 to her parents Alfred and Emily Bull and her two brothers, Alfred and Clifford and a sister Lillian - a Christmas gift in a hospital in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. At a young age the family moved around Saskatchewan before moving to Burnaby, B.C. where the family made their final home.

As a young lady Sylvia went to Burnaby South School from where she graduated. Sylvia worked at various places in the Lower Mainland and Greater Vancouver area, more notably with Red Robinson at CJOR, BC Electric, under the Big "W" at Woolworth's and finally in Mission Hospital as an admitting clerk.

Sylvia and her four children moved to Grand Forks, BC from Mission BC in 1978 to get away from the hustle and bustle of the Lower Mainland.

When she moved to Grand Forks she worked at Hardy View Lodge, Boundary Hospital as an admitting clerk and finally as a receptionist at the BC Forest Service Office for twenty years.

After the provincial cut backs and the closure of the office in the Boundary Forest District, she took an early retirement - to enjoy babysitting her grandchildren, who were her pride and joy, camping and the occasional visit to the casinos, which she called a no-brainer and which put her mind in holiday mode. She also liked to be busy and be in touch with

the community and made many new friends. She spent many hours at the hockey rink with her two sons and later as a billet mom for the Border Bruin players and many of them treated her as their own mom.

She loved volunteering at the Hospital Thrift Store, coordinating volunteers for the BC cancer mammogram screening agency in Grand Forks. A past member of the Royal Purple, member of the Legion, member of Good Sam's Kettle River Ramblers club and Ducks Unlimited, she also supported the Make A Wish Foundation and the Canadian Red Cross.

Sylvia was predeceased by her parents Alfred and Emily Bull, brothers Cliff and Alfred (Jim) Bull and sister Lillian Tayler.

She is survived to mourn and grieve her passing by husband Larry, 30 years of marriage; her children: Clifford McLeod (Mary Ann Ehlers) Red Deer, Alberta, Christine Evans (Ben) Oliver. BC, Craig MacLellan (Laurie) Grand Forks, BC, Colleen McKay (Warren) Grand Forks BC, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren and many nephews, nieces and relatives, and many very close friends from near and far.

A funeral service was held on January 11, 2014 at 11:00 am at the Anglican Holy Trinity Church, Rev. Simon Shenhstone officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Grand Forks Hospital Auxiliary or to the Grand Forks Food Bank will be greatly appreciated. Always understood and forever loved.

May you rest in peace in God's Heavenly Kingdom and live in our hearts forever.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Deborah Baker of Grand Forks Funeral Home.



In Memoriam
Vechnaya Pamyat

Preserving the memory of our deceased family members and friends