

REMEMBERING
Alice Louise Hoppe

March 23, 1923 - July 24, 2020



Alice Louise Hoppe passed away peacefully into the arms of her Saviour on Friday July 24, 2020 at Valleyhaven Care Home in Chilliwack, BC. She was born March 23, 1923 in Orenburg, Russia, the third oldest of 8 children. She moved to Canada with her parents when she was three years old. Arriving in Manitoba and then Coaldale, AB for a few years, finally settling in Greendale, BC. At age 15, she went to work as a housemaid in Vancouver and sent money home to pay for a car that her parents had bought. She worked to put herself through night school so that she was able to train as a nurse. She graduated from St Paul's Hospital in 1950. After working a year in Vancouver she moved to Toronto where she worked and then trained as a Public Health nurse. After working in Victoria for 10 years she resigned her position to take a nursing position in England and using this as her base she travelled the world for 16 years studying and working as she went. Her travels took her to over 100 countries. She recounts numerous incidents where she called on God to pull her through dangerous situations she encountered while seeking no-frills adventures. She then returned to work for the Federal Government in various northern regions serving in Inuit and First Nations communities. Upon retirement she settled in Kelowna hoping the warm and dry climate would ease her advancing arthritis. When she no longer could walk she purchased an electric wheel chair and moved to Menno Terrace Independent Living, Abbotsford in 2007. She was often called upon to regale the residents with stories of her travel adventures. She enjoyed playing Scrabble and later became an avid Skip-Bo player even as her hearing and sight diminished. She generously supported MCC and many foreign orphans' aid charities.

Alice is survived by her remaining sibling, Bertha Vogt and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents Daniel and Susie Hoppe and siblings, Frank, Ella Klassen, Susan Moore, Marie Collins, Daniel, and Laura

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A family graveside service is planned for July 30, 2020 at Greendale Cemetery, Sardis.

