

## REMEMBERING Helen Margaret Ann Grant (Jean)

April 2, 1926 - November 28, 2021



Survived by her daughter Alison (Kingsley), son Jim (Melanie), grandchildren Stuart Grant (Rachel), Erin Bradley (Tom), Katie McCartney (Brett), great-grandchildren Isabelle and Nolan Bradley, and sister-inlaw Doreen Wakefield.

Predeceased by husband Jim (1966), son Stuart (1974), daughter Janice (2019) and brother Bill Wakefield (2019).

Born in Sterlingshire, Scotland the family immigrated to Telkwa BC in 1927. At age 9 the family relocated to Vye Road, Sumas Prairie, Abbotsford, BC where the family farmed. Mom had many very fond memories of her and her brother riding bicycles all over Sumas Prairie delivering newspapers, swimming in the nearby slough and of the life-long friends she met at Upper Sumas and Philip Sheffield schools. Mom had a love of athletics, especially basketball and softball, participating as both a player

and a coach. She was also very involved in fitness and youth sports, coaching little league softball and teaching keep fit classes during the 1960's. Mom continued to stay active coaching and playing softball into her golden years. Upon retirement from the Fraser Valley Regional Library Mom dedicated her time to volunteerism through the Abbotsford Community Policing Program. In 1992, she joined forces with the Matsqui Police (now known as the Abbotsford Police) in forming a volunteer group called Seniors Help and Awareness, a support and outreach for seniors in the community that have been victimized. In 1995 she joined the local Citizens Patrol Group to patrol the streets of Abbotsford. She also initiated the Child ID Program in School District 34. Her volunteerism continued well into her 80's. In 2014, Mom was recognized for her community service work being awarded a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Award by the BC Ministry of Justice and the BC Crime Prevention Association. Mom lived a very full and active life.

The family would like to thank all the doctors and nurses on Unit 1 North in Delta

Hospital and for the compassionate care Mom received in the Irene Thomas Hospice. The family would especially like to thank Mom's long-time doctor, Dr. Collingridge of Abbotsford, for his many years of excellent care.

No service by request.

