REMEMBERING

Irene Sarah Philippsen

June 22, 1928 - May 9, 2016

…She is worth more than rubies. …Her children arise and call her blessed. (Proverbs 31)

After a sudden and brief illness Irene Sarah Philippsen passed away while peacefully asleep. Her charm, creativity, sense of humour and gentle spirit endeared her to others all her life, even during her final days in hospital and hospice. An enthusiastic singer, artisan and skilled painter, Irene forever missed her fellow artists in the Comox Valley's Monday Bunch after moving from Black Creek, BC to Abbotsford. Irene is mourned by her family: Lynda Philippsen, Laurence and Lorraine Philippsen, Norman Philippsen and Kellie Hudson, Carl and Tanya Philippsen, Aaron and Christina Philippsen, Albert Wedel, Walter and Elfrieda Philippsen, Ken and Erika (Philippsen) Pleasance as well as grand-dog Lucy. Her many friends at Evergreen Village, former "Black Creekers," and Clearbrook MB Church sorely feel her absence, too. She is predeceased by her beloved husband Alvin Philippsen as well as sisters Margaret Wedel, Mary Van Bergen and Elizabeth (Betty) Peters. A memorial service and tea will be held on Saturday, May 28, 2016 at Clearbrook Mennonite Brethren Church beginning at 1:00 PM.