



Beatrice Ellen Caldwell

September 3, 1926 - September 18, 2019

BEATRICE ELLEN CALDWELL

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of our mother and grandmother, Beatrice Ellen Caldwell. Mom passed away peacefully with family by her side at the Pembina Manitou Health Centre on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, just two weeks after celebrating her 93rd birthday.

Mom was born on a farm in Lavenham, Manitoba on September 3, 1926, the third of five children to Victor and Elsie Rands (nee Wright). Mom met Dad after the Second World War at the Manitoba Sanatorium in Ninette where he was a patient battling TB, and they were married on November 27, 1954 in Portage la Prairie.

Three sons Drew, Grant and Craig were born and by the mid-60s, the family was complete. The boys meant absolutely everything to Mom and Dad and the house at 404 was a hub of activity. Kids from throughout the neighbourhood could always be found at the Caldwell home playing games or across the street at Park Community Centre. Daily life centered on sports as Dad coached and Mom cheered, as the boys played baseball in summer and hockey in winter. Trips to Minneapolis to watch the Twins were common and a special vacation to Disneyland in the early 70s and a later Christmas trip with her sons and our families to bring in the new millennium in Hawaii were highlights. Once we were a little older, Mom worked part-time, provided childcare in the home and spent many hours volunteering at Park and Betty Gibson Elementary Schools. Despite not having the opportunity to go to high school, Mom was always a strong advocate for education, as she encouraged all of us to pursue our interests and post-secondary education.

After Dad's passing in 1989, Mom's focus changed as grandchildren entered the picture. Grandma's greatest pleasure in life was doting on and spoiling her four grandchildren Stephanie, Kristie, Jared and Jennifer. Mom was extremely proud of all her grandchildren and she supported all of their endeavours over the years. We are truly indebted to Grandma Bea for all her love and for all she did for us.

Mom became more interested in politics in her later years and belonged to the NDP Ladies Auxiliary and Knox United Church in Brandon. She loved ice cream, bird watching and enjoyed nature.

As Mom's health began to fail, she moved into Hobb's Manor in Brandon and for just over

four years, her final home at the Pembina Manitou Health Centre in Manitou. The Caldwell family wishes to sincerely thank everyone for the outstanding care Mom received from all the staff. Words cannot fully express how much we appreciate all the love Mom received over her final years.

Mom is lovingly remembered by sons Drew (Sharon) of L'Isle-Verte, PQ; Grant (Kelly) of Manitou; and Craig (Laura) of Calgary, and her beloved grandchildren Stephanie, Kristie, Jared and Jennifer. Mom is also survived by her brother Vern (Bea) Rands of Winnipeg, sister-in-law Lois (David) Boyd of Winnipeg, and numerous nieces and nephews. Mom was predeceased by her husband Boyd, parents Victor and Elsie Rands, in-laws Charles and Lois Caldwell, brother Clarence, and sisters Joyce and Doris. Thank you Mom for your unwavering support and unconditional love. We all knew Mom as the kindest, most generous and loving person. We love you lots and lots and you'll live in our hearts forever! A Celebration of Bea's Life was held at Brockie Donovan Chapel on Saturday, September 21st at 10:00 am with Craig Miller of Knox United Church officiating. Interment followed at the Brandon Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Bea may be made to the Pembina Manitou Health Centre or the Pembina Manitou Health Centre Palliative Care Fund, Box 129, Manitou, Manitoba, R0G 1G0.

Cemetery

Brandon Cemetery

1901 18th St

Brandon, MB, R7A

Events

SEP **Celebration of Life** 10:00AM

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Brookie Donovan Chapel

332-8th Street, Brandon, MB, CA

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“ Dear Drew and family, holding you close in thought at this time. Always loved your Mom's spirit! Paulette

Paulette Kelly - September 24 at 08:48 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to the Caldwell family, your mom was the sweetest and kindest person. Rest in peace Bea!

Karen and Dave Liddle

karen liddle - September 23 at 11:11 PM



“ My deepest Condolences on the recent passing of your Mom!

Dave Melcosky - September 23 at 02:44 PM



“ Deepest sympathy to the Caldwell family from Jeannette Holm and family.

Len Holm - September 23 at 02:05 PM



“ Sending heartfelt sympathies to Drew, Grant, Craig and families. Bea was a kind and loving caregiver to my children. We were so blessed to have her in our lives. She was treasured and loved. May happy memories bring you comfort.

Wendy (Wood) Jarvin

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“ A wonderful lady who made life enjoyable for everyone. She loved her family & always was very interested in what was going on. She will be missed.

Ken & Myrna Tosh

Ken & Myrna Tosh - September 20 at 02:03 PM



“ Drew Our thoughts are with you and your family today may the Lord have his arms around you and give you peace and love at this time in the loss of your Mom.

Jonathan and Jamie

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