



Joyce Marie Douglas

January 5, 1939 - May 12, 2019

DOUGLAS: Joyce Marie Douglas (nee Sherris) passed away peacefully, with loved ones by her side, at the Assiniboine Centre on Sunday, May 12, 2019 at the age of 80 years. Joyce was born in Winnipeg on January 5, 1939. Joyce was adopted by Fred and Eva Sherris and lived on the family farm near Moore Park, MB. She attended school at Moore Park Consolidated School until grade 11, and then completed her grade 12 education at St. Michael's Academy in Brandon. As a teen, Joyce fell ill with Rheumatic Fever at Christmas time. She recovered in bed, at home on the family farm for 4 months. These were lonely times for a 15/16 year old. She did, although, recover in time to continue her Commercial Business studies at St. Michael's Academy, graduating in May 1957, and began working on the First of June that year. After graduation, Joyce held a variety of positions. She began her work career as a stenographer at Anglo Canadian Oils in Brandon, and held positions at Manitoba Federation of Agriculture, Office Overload, Walter Wray Limited, Keewatin Community College, Niagara Community College, Niagara Cyclo Massage, Valley Royal Travel Services, McCallum Electric and Travel Smart. Joyce also worked at the Neepawa Health Unit for the Province of Manitoba until retiring in 2001. After retirement, Joyce enjoyed working at Alia and then Tan Jay stores. Of all her jobs, Joyce loved her time at the travel agencies the best! Joyce belonged to the Minnedosa 4-H Beef Calf Club; enjoying public speaking and judging competitions. While attending the 4-H meetings she met Harvey, her future husband. There is some truth in the saying, "4-H Ain't all Cows and Cookin'." When the family returned to the farm at Moore Park she was a 4-H Leader with the young people and assisted with cooking. Joyce also was involved with the Big Brothers and Sisters, UCT Minnedosa, Moore Park Community Hall Board, and the Mood Disorder Association of Manitoba. Joyce always enjoyed music, taking vocal lessons at the Brandon School of Music, now Brandon University, winning her class at the Virden Arts Festival, three years in a row in Vocal Studies. She often found humour in her situation, singing in The First Baptist Choir, while attending St. Michael's Academy and being raised Anglican. She and Harvey enjoyed curling at Roseneath Curling Club, Moore Park and taking in bonspiels in various towns around the area, even having a family rink one winter at Rapid City. "We didn't win many games but we had lots of fun," she later reminisced. With Harvey, she participated in 5-pin bowling in Minnedosa for over

10 years and enjoyed all the camaraderie, even winning her share of 'Skunk' pins over the years. With close friends Ramona and Cecil Sparrow, they enjoyed playing cards for over 56 years, (but have to admit the girls did not win their fair share of the games). Harvey and Joyce enjoyed dancing over the years, going on trips to visit family and friends, and delighted in celebrating their many years of marriage with friends and family. She has enjoyed travelling to Hawaii, Guatemala, New Orleans, England, Scotland and Wales, as well as cruising to Alaska and the Western Caribbean. Also, while working in the travel industry she made work trips to Fiji, Australia, British Isles, and a School at Sea Cruise. Joyce is survived by her husband of 60 years, Harvey, half- brothers Doug White and Ian (Petty) White of Brandon, son Ian and wife Barbara, Jocelyn (Ben), Sheri (Kris) and great granddaughter Isabella; son James and wife Amber, Jasmine (Andrew) and Sherris; daughter-in-law Debbie (Scott – deceased), Ashley (Mitch), Brandi and Carly and great grandchildren Madison Bjerregaard, Payton and Rhett Matthews. Joyce was predeceased by her parents Frederick and Eva Sherris, infant sister Loraine Eva, son Duncan Scott Douglas, sisters and brothers-in-law Maxine and Alex Douglas, Shelagh and Robert (Bob) Douglas and her half-brother William (Bill) White, along with many aunts, uncles and cousins. A Celebration of Joyce's Life will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at Central United Church, 327-8th Street, Brandon at 1:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Joyce may be made to the Mood Disorders Association of Manitoba, 4-940 Princess Ave., Brandon, MB R7A 4E9 or to the Manitoba Lung Association, 301-1 Wesley Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3C 4C6.

Events

MAY **Celebration of Life** 01:30PM

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Central United Church

327-8th Street, Brandon, MB, CA

Comments



“ Uncle Harvey and family, know that my thoughts are always with youI have a lot of fond memories of Joyce...as a teenager I remember her as a second mother and my confidant. She and I spent many afternoons sitting at the kitchen table at your cabin just talking and drinking coffee. I told her things I couldn't talk to anyone else about. She takes a lot of secret with her.... Rest in Peace Auntie Joyce I Love you

Trinda (Sparrow) Collister - May 28 at 02:05 PM



“ My sincerest sympathy to you and your family, Harvey. Joyce was such a vibrant and supportive member of our church family. Everyone considered her a true friend. She will be sorely missed

margaret cullen - May 21 at 09:57 AM



“ Sincere Sympathy to Harvey and family on the passing of your wife Joyce. I will have many fond memories of the good times my late husband, Bev and I shared in your company when camping at Minnedosa. Our condolences, Shirley McConnell, Neepawa and Jim Clark, Minnedosa.

Shirley McConnell - May 18 at 04:42 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Eleanor Fast

Eleanor Fast - May 18 at 11:50 AM



“ Harvey it seems like Eons ago that you asked me do some layout work for you on the
North Hill furniture building
Also when I met your brother Jack as I was supervising the construction of the
Minnedosa H2O treatment plant

Enough of the preamble.

It's always hard when you lose family
But it must be 10 x As hard when it's
You're Life long PARTNER.
I wish you God's assistance as you are trying

to recover from your loss.

Bill Dickson- Sylvan Lake. Alberta

William Dickson - May 18 at 03:22 AM



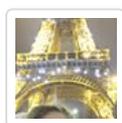
“ My prayers and caring thoughts are with you and your family, Harvey. I have not known Joyce very long but knew she was a very special person. We will all miss her. Sincerely Laura Empey

Laura Empey - May 17 at 07:37 PM



“ Harvey & family I am sorry to hear of Joyce's passing. Thinking of you during this difficult time. John Stiles

John Stiles - May 17 at 07:05 PM



“ Harvey and family, we are so sorry to hear of Joyce's passing, she was a wonderful lady and I always enjoyed my 4 H years and other visits with her. She was always so warm and welcoming. Murray and Pam (Laferriere) Phillips

Pam Laferriere-Phillips - May 16 at 05:30 PM



“ Harvey and family. We are so sorry for your loss of a loving wife, mother ,grandmother. Ramona and Joyce have been friends forever and as the little sister , I feel I have known her most of my life. She was always happy , smiling and kind. We think back to our good times at the lake and some great card games - lots of fun and laughter! We will be in touch when we return home at the end of a May. Our sincere sympathy. Beverley and George Ranson

Beverley and George Ranson - May 15 at 01:41 PM



“ To the Douglas Family. I am so glad I went to see Joyce on Friday. We had a wonderful visit. I'm going to miss our angel so much. We had many wonderful times with her at curves and the Red Hats. God be with you all. Barb and Harvey Roberds

Barbara Roberds - May 15 at 11:37 AM



“ To Harvey and Family. As I think back to our years at the lake I remember Joyce with fondness and appreciation as a lady who was tolerant and understanding of the antics of a group of goofy teenagers. Her and you were great neighbours and fun to be around. I will forever recall the distinctive laughs that you both possess. Please take care and know that I am thinking of you at this time. Randy

Randy MacDonald - May 14 at 10:47 PM



“ Harvey and Family. Our condolences, Joyce is at peace. Ken & Joyce Barlow

Joyce - May 14 at 10:18 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Joyce's passing. I remember Joyce as a fun loving lady, who always had a smile. I know she will be missed by a lot of people. Condolences to Harvey and family.

Gail & Ed Sanderson - May 14 at 10:15 PM



“ Harvey and family. Please accept our heartfelt condolences on Joyce's passing. She was a lovely lady and a great neighbor. She will be greatly missed.
Sincerely
David and Ann Pickford

David Pickford - May 14 at 09:35 PM



“ So sorry to learn of Joyce's passing and our sympathy to Harvey and the whole family. All who had the privilege to know her enjoyed her humour. We will miss her at Seniors for Seniors

Frank & May

frank - May 14 at 06:53 PM



“ Harvey and Family, It's very difficult to believe that Joyce is gone. We shared such good times in Moore Park as we struggled to keep our tiny community alive. Good times , filled with laughter and dedicated work are memories I'll always cherish. Whether it was making fancy sandwiches, buttering buns or decorating the hall for special occasions , Joyce was always there to help. Our sincere sympathy to all of you for your loss. A GREAT WOMAN will be missed by every life she touched,
Gary and Vonda

Gary and Vonda - May 14 at 04:36 PM



“ Harvey & Family. Our condolences on Joyce's passing. She was a lovely lady & will be missed.
Sincerely,
Ken & Myrna Tosh

Ken & Myrna Tosh - May 14 at 01:57 PM



“ Harvey and family. Please accept our deepest condolences. On thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time. She will be deeply missed by all.

Mike and Pat Melnyk
Michael and Sandy Melnyk
Tim and Colleen Melnyk

Mike Melnyk - May 14 at 11:58 AM



“ So very sorry to read of Joyce's sudden passing. Our sincere condolences to Harvey and family. A lovely lady will be missed by all who knew her.
Very sincerely Esther and Jack

esther and jack - May 14 at 11:07 AM



“ Harvey and family,

So sorry to have learned of Joyce's passing. Our sincere sympathy to all....may family, friends and all the good memories help you through this most difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Ken and Joan Al-Molky

Joan Al-Molky - May 13 at 09:29 PM



“ To Harvey and family,
I am so sorry to hear of Joyce's passing, it was so quick after our lovely visit. I and all our Red Hatters will miss her so much at our gatherings as she loved being a Red Hatter. She was always so much fun and brought laughter to our get-to-gethers. We will miss her so much - may God Bless you with everything you have to do and the the days you have to get thru alone.

Elsbeth Denbow and the Red Hatters

Elsbeth Denbow - May 13 at 08:07 PM



“ So very sad to hear of Joyce's passing. What a wonderful lady and we shared so much laughter over the years. Thinking of you, Harvey, and family during this time of sorrow. Colleen Gareau, Midland, Ontario

Colleen Gareau - May 13 at 07:47 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Joyce's passing Bill & I extend our deepest sympathy to Harvey and Family.I will surely miss my Friend Joyce will be at Peace . She is some where in Heaven with the Red Hatters Bye My Friend

Bernice & Bill Petras - May 13 at 02:13 PM