

## **Cora Stobee - (October 21, 1924 – October 4, 2020)**

Cora Stobee passed away peacefully at the Preeceville & District Health Centre – Long Term Care on Sunday, October 4, 2020, at the age of 95 years.

Cora was born October 21, 1924, to Gordon and Mabel (nee Culbertson) Brown, in Alida, SK. She was the third oldest of 12 children. When Cora was 10 years old, her family moved from southern Saskatchewan, by a tractor pulled caboose with all their worldly goods, to their new farm north of Pelly. Maybe this was the start of her adventurous and resilient spirit.

Cora received her education at Sunny Isle School up to grade 10. She then went on to Fort Livingstone School in Pelly. She might have left school a little early to join the Canadian Women's Army Corp as WW2 was going on. If her brothers joined, she wasn't going to be far behind. Of the 12 siblings, 9 served in the Canadian Armed Forces. Cora was very proud of her military service and even after leaving active duty, she was involved in Air Cadets and held a lifetime membership to the Canadian Legion.

Cora held numerous occupations after the war, but eventually settled on a career of being a Supervisor at Residential Schools. She was Head Matron at Sturgis Composite High School until it closed that aspect of it. As a new mom, whose marriage didn't work out, to support her young daughter Shannon, she headed North...way North, in 1960. Cora and Shannon lived in Fort MacPherson, Inuvik, and eventually settled in Yellowknife, NWT. Cora not only ran Akaitcho Hall, but also became a Justice of the Peace, and Coroner for the NWT. This was her home until she retired in 1989 and moved back to Pelly.

Cora was a true pioneer that forged her own path. She met life with a strong work ethic, energy, fortitude, and innate sense of humor. She was loved and will be missed.

Cora was predeceased by her parents, Gordon and Mabel Brown; and her siblings and their spouses: Mary (Happy Doughty), Leonard (Sheila), Arthur (Emily), Garnet, Cecil, Tom (Edna), Joe (Mary), Alan, Doreen (Bill Cook), and Walter.

Left to celebrate her life are daughter, Shannon (Dave) Hughes; grandson, Charles (Yasmine) Carlson; grand-daughter, Carlene Hughes; great grandchild, Kenza Carlson; brother, Roy (Toni); and her sister-in-law, Phyllis Dredge; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

A Public Graveside Legion Service was held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, October 9, 2020, at Malonek Cemetery, north of Pelly, SK, with Laura Dahl officiating. Those wishing to make expressions of sympathy may make donations to the Royal Canadian Legion - Norquay Branch #351, as tokens of remembrance, in memory of Cora Stobee. Family and friends are invited to sign an online guestbook at [www.lesonsfuneralhome.ca](http://www.lesonsfuneralhome.ca).

**Arrangements have been entrusted to  
LESON'S FUNERAL HOME, Canora, SK.**

