



Mona Tillson Cranna, the only daughter of John (Jack) and Kate Moore, passed peacefully in Nelson, BC on the evening of June 18, 2014 only a short time before her 101st birthday.

Predeceased by her husband of 68 years, Douglas Cranna, in 2009, she is survived by her two sons Daren (Lynn), Drew (Iona) and her daughter Denise (Trevis) and her grandchildren, Chase, Lee, and Meghan.

Born in Kisbey, SK on July 27 1913, she grew up with the love of the outdoors, boating, swimming, hunting and fishing.

She was a talented artist but took her father's advice to always have something practical, so along with expanding her artistic side with formal art training, she included business courses and secretarial training.

Mona was introduced to her husband by his brother prior to the second great war. While on a short Christmas break they were married in Kisbey, SK on Boxing Day 1941, and six months later were both posted in Whitehorse, YT, Doug with the RCAF and Mona as a civilian with the USAF.

After the war she returned with her husband to Kisbey and together they ran their hardware store and started a family.

The rural population was declining in rural Saskatchewan so in 1959 she chose to move north with her husband and family to Yellowknife NWT.

During that time Mona raised the family, worked full time, as well as freelanced as a northern correspondent for the Edmonton Journal and wrote articles for the local papers, The News of the North and the Yellowknifer. She always found time to pursue her passion for art, capturing the north's many moods in her paintings.

Yellowknife was home until 1979. The family grown, they retired to Riondel, BC. The change in scenery and the addition of mountains challenged her artistic pallet but it was not long until she began capturing the spirit of the Kootenay's.

Her flower gardens around her home were her pride and joy along with Doug's fish ponds. Together they gave a welcoming, peaceful serenity to their home, one that she missed dearly after Doug's passing and moving into Nelson.

By her request no service will be held. A celebration of life will be held by her immediate family and very close friends. By her wish her ashes will be returned to the place of her birth to rest next to her father.

We miss you Mom.