Betty Sane Grant



Betty Jane Grant (nee Ayres) passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 21, 2010 where she resided at the Citadel Care Center in St. Albert AB. She was surrounded by her family who love her dearly and made her transition with grace.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 8, 1920 Betty and her family moved to Roberval, PQ in 1928. The eldest of four, Betty was big sister and protector of her three brothers Bob, Roger and Bill.

In 1953 Betty moved west to Moose Jaw, SK where she met and married her husband Duncan Grant. When he left the Air Force in 1956 to fly on the DEW line Betty and family made homes in western and northern Canada. They resided in Yellowknife, NT from 1968 until 1993 where both Betty and Duncan are remembered as a vibrant part of the community.

Betty most loved her work as assistant to Dave Nickerson, MP for the Western Arctic. She tackled constituents' problems cheerfully with great heart and compassion.

On leaving the North, Betty and Duncan made homes in Red Deer, Fort Saskatchewan and finally St. Albert, Alberta where they continued to acquire new friends and were beloved by many who came to know them both.

When Duncan passed away in Oct. of 2007, Betty moved to the Citadel Care Center where she found her way into the hearts of those with whom she lived and her many wonderful caretakers who provided exemplary love and care over the course of her stay there.

Betty is predeceased by her parents Harold and Gertrude Ayres, her brothers Roger and Bill Ayres and her husband Duncan. She is survived by her brother GR. (Bob) Ayres, her four children, Cheryl Grant Gamble, Wayne and Bill Grant, daughter Kelly and husband Richard McNeill and grand-children Andrea McNeill and Stephan Grant.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, March 29 at 10:00 am at the Citadel Care Centre, 25 Erin Ridge Road, St. Albert, AB. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to your favorite charity or local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Foundation.

