Isabel Hardie

The first Member of Parliament elected to represent the Northwest Territories federal constituency, passed away on Tuesday, November 14, 2006 in White Rock, British Columbia at the age of 90.

Known by the nickname "Tibi", she succeeded her husband, Merv Hardie, who had represented the then Mackenzie River constituency in Parliament from 1953 until his death in 1961. She was herself elected in the federal election in June 1962, the first Member of Parliament to represent the whole of the Northwest Territories.

A long time resident of Yellowknife, she was born in Toronto, Ontario February 4, 1916 and worked with the Territorial Government from 1967 until her retirement in the early 1980's. An avid amateur painter and sculptor in retirement she divided her time between Ottawa and Tsawwassen, BC until recent years when she entered the Westminster House retirement and nursing facility in White Rock.

She is survived by her daughter, Eleanor Miller of Powell River, sons Peter of Yellowknife, Murray of Minneapolis, Mackenzie of Ottawa, granddaughter Tara Miller of Vancouver and sister, Edwina Martinat of Eganville, ON.

Arrangements: Cremation to be followed by a family memorial service to be held at a later date.

