



# Mary Madsen

December 23, 1929 - October 10, 2012

Our mom and grandmother (Bestemor) passed peacefully away at the Bulkley Valley hospital.

She was predeceased by her husband Holger, parents and numerous siblings.

Mary was born in Varhaug, Norway and grew up in Vigrestad, a community on the coast. Her fondest Norwegian memories revolved around hiking in the

mountains with family and friends or joyful times at the seashore.

She immigrated to Canada to join her husband Holger on the start of their Canadian adventure. This began in the small northern mining town of Yellowknife, NT. Mom's favourite memories revolve around family, coffee with dear friends, picnics with marshmallow roasts and weekend berry picking forays. While there Mom and Dad spent time in Greenland and at Little Cornwallis Island, NT, with mining projects. Trips back to Norway and Denmark to visit her family and Holger's were very special. In 1985, she and Holger settled in Bulkley Valley. Treasuring their rural home and mountain view on Old Babine Lake Road, until moving into Smithers in 1994.

Mom leaves to remember her with love son Erik (Bonny), grandchildren Brooke and Konnor of Lake Country, daughter Mary Ann (Greg) of Smithers, grandchildren Keenan of Yellowknife and Kelsey of Banff and sisters Lida and Arna (Trygve) in Norway.

Following Mom's wishes no service will be held. A small get together was held with her close friends in Smithers and a family gathering will be held next summer in Yellowknife.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Pretorius, staff at the BC Cancer Agency, St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, and Bulkley Valley District Hospital for their kind and compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Bulkley Valley District Hospital, Cancer Care, Box 370, Smithers, BC or Smithers Community Cancer Care Team.

