



Cece
Hodgson
McCauley



Born: June 5, 1922,
Fort Norman, NT
Death: March 12, 2018,
Norman Wells, NT

Cecile (Cece) Hodgson McCauley passed into the presence of our Lord on March 12, 2018 in her 96th year surrounded by family at home. Born June 5, 1922 in Fort Norman to Philip Herbert George Hodgson and Cecille Paul Za, she was predeceased by her parents, stepmother Cecilia Hodgson Tourangeau, and stepfather Pat; brothers and sisters Alice, John, Arthur, Frank, Trudy, Kenny, Edith, Norman, Georgina, Mildred, Eleanor, and Robert; as well as 'Mac' James Hector McCauley, the love of her life. She is survived by brothers Eddie (Mitzi), Larry (June); and sisters Muriel (Bob), Janet and Eva; beloved sons Herb (Carol), Todd (Tanya); grandchildren Stephen (Aleha), Geoffrey (Nicole), Denis, Rena, and Hilah; great-granddaughters Gray and Royal; and many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

Cece was a force to behold in the building of her beloved Mackenzie Delta and the Sahtu. The founding Chief of the Inuvik Native Band from 1982 to 1993, Cece was the first female Chief in the Northwest Territories. Over the past 40 years, she has fought for the Mackenzie Valley Highway as well as writing a weekly column for *News/North*. Cece was the recipient of the 2017 *Indspire Award* for Politics. Cece was a surrogate mother to many, loved her "girls" who worked for her in Aklavik and Inuvik. When Cece saw a need, she fed and clothed people in many communities. A mentor, a business woman, Honourary Chief for Life, Woman Warrior, mother and grandmother, Cece will be greatly missed.

To the Staff of the Stanton Hospital, Monica Loomis Nursing Station, and the people of Norman Wells, thank you for your care to our Cece.