

REMEMBERING Barbara Thomason

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Barbara Jeanne Thomason, on Sunday, September 29th, 2019 at the age of 86, in Mission, BC at TRIM (The Residence in Mission).

Barbara was predeceased by her loving husband Cliff in 2016. She is survived by and will be greatly missed by her son, George (Amrit) Thomason; grandchildren Amanda & Ryan and; daughter, Jennifer (Ken) Robin; grandchildren Brianna Senft, Rebecca (Stephen) Green, Tyler Senft, Jeremy Robin & Devan Robin.

Barbara was born on March 20, 1933 (First Day of Spring) to Reginald and Victoria (Cora) Petty in Vancouver, BC. Barbara is predeceased by both parents as well as her brother James Petty and sister Audrie Appleby.

Barbara grew up in Vancouver and spent early adulthood working as a secretary in downtown Vancouver. At the age of 21, Barbara travelled to England and spent the year touring and visiting with family members. In 1958 Barbara married Cliff Thomason and made their home in Clayburn Village on a dairy farm where they lived until 1973 - from city girl to country wife. In 1973 they moved their family to the Ridgedale area of Matsqui Village. Barbara and Cliff continued to entertain many of their friends from Vancouver who travelled out to the valley for a wonderful feast and lively activities. Many hayrides took place on the farm with the city friends. Both Barbara and Cliff were on a 5 pin bowling team with the farm league in Abbotsford at Galaxy Bowl. In 1988 they sold the dairy farm and moved to Mission where they spent their semi-retirement years. England and Hawaii were their favourite getaways for travel. For Barbara, taking care of her family meant homemade buns with butter and jam, delicious cookies in the jar, cozy flannel nightgowns, fuzzy knit sweaters and always food on the table for whoever showed up. Barbara enjoyed canning, baking, sewing and knitting and made many

donations to The Cottage, the Mission Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Store.

Barbara will be remembered by her no-nonsense personality, her "yoo-hoo" call and her beautiful, vibrant smile.

Barbara's family wishes to thank Dr. De Klerk for his many years as the family GP, the nurses and staff at The Cottage (Abbotsford) and TRIM (Mission) who treated her with genuine affection and care during her years in residential care.

Barbara will be laid to rest with her parents at Hatzic Cemetery in Mission, BC. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

