

Florence Joyce Baird

SEPTEMBER 7, 2013

BAIRD Crooker (Sweet), Joyce

The family of Joyce Baird announces her peaceful passing at the Lacombe Hospital September 7, 2013 after a brief illness. Joyce was born June 13, 1933 near Morningside and was happy to have celebrated her 80th birthday with family and friends this past June. She was married in October 1952 to Fred Crooker and they had a family of six daughters. Joyce was left to raise her daughters alone at a very young age in 1966 when her husband died in a work accident. In 1978 she married Walter Baird who passed away in 1996. She was predeceased by her daughter Cathy Thompson, sisters Bertha Smith and Elsie Chalmers, brother Walter Sweet as well as her parents. Through all of life's struggles Joyce exhibited a quiet strength, calmness and dignity that those who knew her admired a great deal. She will be missed and forever remembered by her daughters Joann Swarbrick (Calvin), Sandra Crooker, Laurie Whitecotton (Marty), Danita Hunt (Don) and Denise Watson (Tyrone), her sisters' Gloria Bodnarchuk and Susan Umrysh, 21 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends. As Joyce requested no formal Funeral Service will be held, her daughters will host a gathering on Monday September 16th, 2013 at the Lacombe Memorial Centre at 1 pm. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Joyce's memory to the Kidney Foundation of Canada 202, 11227 Jasper Ave NW Edmonton, AB T5K 0L5 or the Lacombe Palliative Care Society PO Box 5576 Lacombe AB T4L 1X2.

Messages of Condolence

Very sorry to hear about your Mom passing away, Laurie and Joann, and your Grandma, Natalie. I always enjoyed seeing her at the curling rink - it looked like such a great family time. What an incredible life she must have had raising 6 daughters! Judy Stene

— **Judy Stene**



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