

# Muriel Pearl Helpard

OCTOBER 11, 2013

April 14, 1923 - October 11, 2013

It is with great sorrow that our family announces the passing of Muriel at the age of 90 years. She was a wife, a devoted mother, a cherished grandmother, a great grandmother and a great, great grandmother. She had 5

children; Edna Jones (Ken), Raymond

Torgrimson (Carol), Diana Page (Len), Dennis Torgrimson (Anne) and Phyllis

Bates (Rick); 14 grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren and 3 great, great

grandchildren. She is survived by one sister, Shirley Skinner of Red Deer. Muriel

was predeceased by Pete Torgrimson and Ted Helpard and also companion Bob

Tribe. She is also predeceased by daughter Edna Jones and son Dennis

Torgrimson; and grandchildren Jimmy Jones and Laurie Miller. Muriel was born in

Miniota, Manitoba. After the passing of her mother at the age of 13, she took the

Greyhound Bus to Strathmore and got a job milking cows at the age of 14. A brave

and determined girl, she has lived in Calgary, Claresholm, Cremona, High River,

Pincher Creek, Cochrane, Olds and eventually at the Didsbury Aspen Lodge. Our

family was blessed with the care that Muriel received from the staff at the

Didsbury Aspen Ridge Lodge until her passing. In lieu of flowers, Memorial

Tributes may be made directly to the Didsbury Ridge Lodge, PO Box 2290,

Didsbury, Alberta, T0M 0W0.



## Messages of Condolence

We wish to send our condolences to the TORGRIMSON/HELPAARD families. Muriel was a kind, respected and wonderful woman to our family (the Helpards) over the years. Although her last years were very challenging - she stood tall. We loved her very much, and she will be missed; although we know that she will have that 'kitchen in heaven' moving to her rhythm. She loved to laugh and her smile said it all. A most 'caring' and 'compassionate' person we have had the pleasure to know.

Til we meet again...may sweet Peace be your salvation, Muriel.

Love always,

— **Merrill & Kathy Helpard & Family**

We are so sorry to hear of Muriel's passing. She was a wonderful woman and a great companion to dad. Please accept our sincerest condolences and remember that she is now at peace and in a place of comfort

— **Stacy & Rick Connon**

I meet Muriel when she came with my Uncle Bob when we had our 25th wedding anniversary. Juliana and I went to visit them when they were in Didsbury. She was an angel from heaven. She really touched my heart sorry to see her go. But she has gone to a better place. Jack

— **jack**



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