Isobel Rowlands

MAY 6, 2019

Isobel Rowlands (Belle) passed away at Vancouver General Hospital on May 6, 2019, age 94. Predeceased by her husband, James (Jim); father, Robert Miller; mother, Edith (Hale); and sister, Ruth (Moore). Survived by her children, Robert, Anne (Greg), and Jane (Steve); her grandchildren, Meredith, Alexander (Olga), Ellen (Sylvain), Thomas, and Emma; great-grandson, Henry, and dear friend Becca.

Born in 1924, Belle lived most of her life in Montreal. After completing her B.A. at McGill University in 1946, she dedicated her life to her family and many friends. She loved gardening and quilting but more than anything, she enjoyed spending time with loved ones at her country home at Ste. Anne-des-Lacs, Que. In 2008, she moved to Vancouver to be closer to her family, but her heart remained in Quebec. Endlessly curious, Belle was a voracious reader who always had a book by her side and knew the answer to every gardening question. Belle was strong, opinionated, and fiercely independent; after a life-changing fall in September 2016 and an extended stay in Vancouver-area hospitals, she lived at Blenheim Lodge in Vancouver.

Special thanks to the nurses at Mount St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver General Hospital, and the staff at Blenheim Lodge. In lieu of flowers, donations in Belle’s memory can be made to the Children’s hospital of your choice. Funeral service was held at West Point Grey United Church, 4595 West 8th Ave., Vancouver, on Friday, May 10. Interment will be at Mount Royal Cemetery in Montreal at a later date.

You are invited to leave a personal message of condolence for the family.

Messages of Condolence

A wonderful neighbour who lived an interesting life. Always a pleasure to chat with over her flowers.

— John Shepherd

Our thoughts and memories are with you Jane, Anne and Bob with the passing of your wonderful mother Belle. She was a great neighbour and friend on Melrose and the mum of the greatest babysitters ever!,,!!!

Please get in touch with me. I would love to see you when you come to Montreal. I am still on Melrose at a new number. 4071. H4A2S5
Love from Heather, Sueand Kathleen and Anne

— Anne Usher

TO my cousins , Bob . Anne ,and Jane ,
Aunt Belle was someone that I always admired , and it was as you described her , because she was so strong , opinionated and independent .I will always remember her this way .
Gail

— Gail Fraser Hartl

Isobel was a lovely lady and a pleasure to be with. I knew her for about 10 years through the Laurention Quilt Guild, where she mixed with everybody.
She was sadly missed when she left to be with her family in Vancouver.
My condolences on your loss. Lesley

— Lesley Slinn-Fitzpatrick

deepest sympathies to all in the passing of isobel!

allan and lawrence

— allan & lawrence moore

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