# Margaret MacGregor Whyte

MAY 9, 2022

**Margaret MacGregor Whyte**

**October 10, 1927 - May 9, 2022**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our mother, Margaret MacGregor Whyte (nee Duffin), at the age of 94. Mom entered peacefully into the arms of the Lord on May 9, 2022, with 3 of her children by her side.

Born on October 10, 1927, in Hamilton, Lanarkshire, Scotland, Margaret was the youngest of 4 children. Her family moved to Calgary, Alberta when Mom was 2 years old. During her teenage years Mom attended Sacred Heart School where she forged many life-long friendships. Shortly after graduating high school, she met the love of her life, Allan Reid Whyte. Mom and Dad were married July 3, 1948. In the summer of 2020, they celebrated 72 years of marriage.

In support of Dad's 42-year career with Honeywell, and as their family grew to 8 children, Mom and Dad moved from Calgary to Edmonton to Regina to Vancouver then ultimately to Toronto.  When Dad retired in 1988, they returned to the West Coast where they built their retirement home in Surrey, BC.

When Mom was not busy raising her children, she somehow found time to be actively involved in church choirs, the CWL (Catholic Women's League), spaghetti dinners, church bazaars, school fundraisers and curling, while at the same time, knitting, crocheting, and sewing clothes, Halloween costumes and working for Elections Canada.

Mom and Dad loved to socialize with their many friends. Their annual New Years' party was a tradition that lasted for decades.

In her downtime, Mom loved watching sports: baseball, curling, figure skating, tennis, golf - she loved it all! When there wasn't a sporting event on TV, she loved old movies and, of course without fail, Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy.

Mom and Dad enjoyed traveling and spent many summers camping with family while driving across Canada and the US. After retirement they traveled more extensively, and Mom fulfilled a life-long dream when she reunited with several long-lost relatives in Scotland.

Over her lifetime Mom faced several serious health issues. She was a truly amazing woman who took these challenges in stride. Mom had the attitude: "let's deal with it and move on". As a result, she taught us all the meaning of positivity, faith, strength, and resilience.

Mom was predeceased by her loving husband Allan, three older brothers, John, James, and Harry, as well as her eldest son, Robert. She will be dearly missed by her younger brother Charles (Louise) and her children: Warren (Suzi), Maury (Liz), Sharon, Janice, Debbie (Darren), Kevin (Kim), and Theresa. Mom will be lovingly remembered by her grandchildren: Christopher (Amanda), Jennifer (Kelly), Matthew (MyVahna), Connor (Ashley), Kyle (Carlie), Megan (Matt), Bailey, Hannah, and Quinn, as well as 7 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews across Canada and in Scotland.

We would like to thank Fraser Health Home Support Services and Caring Shepherd Home Care Services for the kind and compassionate support they provided for Mom.

Visitation and a Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday May 24, 2022, at Good Shepherd Catholic Church (2250 150 Street, Surrey).

10:00 am Visitation

10:30 am Rosary

11:00 am Funeral Mass

12:00 noon Reception (Church Hall)

1:30 pm Departure for Gardens of Gethsemani Cemetery (15694 32 Avenue, Surrey)

In Lieu of Flowers, donations to Canadian Food for Children, or your local food bank, would be appreciated.

~ Forever In Our Hearts ~

## Messages of Condolence

Death leaves a heartache that on one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.
- anonymous

Mom, you have left me a lifetime of memories, thank you for all the love.

xo Sharon

**— Sharon Malbon**

A good life. I'll remember her as a strong, supportive woman -- devoted to her family and her Blue Jays. Heartfelt condolences to all.

**— Nancy Miller**

Aunt Marg (My dad's "baby sister") was an amazing woman and will be missed dearly by myself and my daughter Molly. I will cherish all the wonderful memories I have of her, Uncle Al, and all of my cousins. She will always hold a special part of our hearts.

**— Heather Duffin**

Bless you on your journey Margaret! What a wonderful and fulfilling life. I am forever grateful that you were such a kind and loving mother to my dear friend Theresa, you did a great job! Thank you for bringing her into the world.
So very sorry for your loss Theresa, my condolences to your family.

**— joy carson**

All my Love and Support Theresa for you and your family.

**— Judy**

What a wonderful, loving, caring woman  . An inspirational role model for her children. No wonder Theresa is the positive, creative, strong, and sensitive woman that she is. I know your mum will be sorely missed, and I send my sincere condolences to the family during this difficult time.

**— Lee Dimos**

Dear Theresa,
we did not have the privilege of meeting your mother, it would have been nice. If you, Theresa, are a strong and sweet person, your mother deserves credit for that.
Our deepest condolences. XXX

**— Bruno Reinaudi & family**

What a wonderful mother!

So sorry for your loss.

May she rest "in peace"

With Love Mary

**— Mary**

Condolences, prayers & blessings to you all….

Our Warm Regards to beloved Theresa & your family

**— Debbi & Mike Lang**

Theresa and family,

My deepest condolences on the passing of your mom.

God Bless her and grant her Eternal Rest In Peace.

My prayers are with you

all.

Love Teresa

**— Teresa Binetti**

Janice, my sincere condolences to you and your family! I will always remember the kindness of your beautiful mom. May she find eternal rest in our loving God’s arms.

Marci

**— Marci Williamson**

My deepest condolences Janice to you and your large family. Your Mum was an amazing lady. Wow. Good for her. I sure enjoyed reading her story. Be well and I’m sending you and all a big HUG. With Blessings, Karen

**— KarenWarburton**

I offer my condolences and prayers to the Whyte family. Memories of such a strong, vibrant Mom will remain in your hearts forever!

**— Corinne Home Quenneville**

We are so sorry to hear that Marg has passed away. Our parents Barney and Merle MacDonald, shared a strong friendship with Al and Marg over our lifetime. A part of the New Years Eve gang from St. Anthony’s Parish. Such a bond they all shared. Good people, wonderful parents to us all. We will keep our memories close and we offer our sincere sympathy to you all at this sad time.

**— Cathie and Jim Hayes**

My heartfelt condolences to you Janice & all your family.

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Maury and Liz and family. My condolences on the passing of your dear mother. She lived a full and rewarding life and no doubt you will miss her. Mothers hold a special place in our lives. May her soul rest with the Lord.

**— Mary Ann Danelon**

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time Maury. A mother is very special and so it is difficult when she dies. It sounds like she was really a special person.
sending you love,
Marg.

**— Margaret Ligas**

Your mom was an amazing woman. You were so fortunate to have her with you for so long creating so many wonderful memories that may give you joy and comfort you now that she and your dad have passed. What a full and incredible life she and your dad shared! My thoughts are with you and your family Theresa. Love Linda

**— Linda Ciebien**

It was a great pleasure knowing Marg. We were fortunate enought to attend her 90th birthday celebration and meet many of the family. Marg & Al were an inspiration to many and friends to all.
May they both rest in peace as they are together again.

**— Patricia McMillan**

All my best wishes and condolences to all.

Love Chris

**— Chris Bassett**

May your mom Rest In Peace
My heartfelt condolences Janice

**— Gloria**

Thinking of all of you in your time of loss and sending healing prayers to each of you. Special condolences to my dear friend Warren and his wife Suzi. I was so very sorry to hear of your loss. As I read the notice about Margaret, it is clear to me she was a wonderful woman and loved by many. So nice to read of her life. I pray each of you find peace knowing she is now with her beloved husband.

**— Lorie Roman**

My sincere condolences to the Whyte family! I hope the memories of your mom bring comfort during this difficult time…

**— Pierre**

Sending our love to Maury, Liz and all of your family. Hoping that happy times shared with your Mom will help you through this difficult time

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Margaret was a wonderful, welcoming and caring person that always said it like it was. I was fortunate to be an insider and privileged to be able to call her Mom... even if only for a short time. Marg and Al's phenomenal legacy lives on through their wonderful children, grandchildren, and great-grand children. My heart goes out to the whole family.

**— PK**

My deepest condolences to all of her children - especially her amazing daughters I got to meet at my visits. I was fortunate enough to get to know Margaret and Al a little and they truly were special loving people. What an amazing wonderful couple - once again reunited. Huge hugs to all

**— Krystal**

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