Hartley, Isobel Madge

October 18, 2016



ISOBEL MADGE HARTLEY

Isobel was born in Moose Jaw, SK on February 22nd, 1933. She passed away in Maple Creek, SK on Saturday, March 26th, 2016. Isobel endured a difficult three-decade battle with Multiple Sclerosis, but in the end lost a battle against cancer. She was 83 years old. Isobel was predeceased by her father, Bruce in 1972; mother, Dorothy in 1982; and her husband, Norman in 1985. She was also predeceased by her brother, Charlie and sister-in-law Marj; brother, Howard and sister-in-law Vivian; brother, John and sister-in-law Ruth; and brother, Don and sister-in-law Mavis. Isobel is survived by her sister, Betty Newton; daughter, Laura (Colin) Sutherland; grandson, Christopher (Jessica) Domokos; son, Dan; as well as many nieces, nephews and friends. Isobel was the daughter of Bruce Jaques and Dorothy Nelson. Her father farmed in the Briercrest district and married Dorothy, originally from Maple Creek, who had attained a teaching position in the village of Briercrest after graduating from the Regina’s Teachers College. Isobel was raised on the family farm, four miles North East of Briercrest. After graduation, she worked for a while at the Royal Bank in Moose

Jaw. She had been dating Norman Hartley, who farmed a few miles West of Briercrest. They were married on October 11th, 1952. Active in The Order of the Eastern Star for over thirty years, she was awarded Grand Trustee, Province of Saskatchewan, and attended General Grand Chapter in Anaheim, California. She excelled in Bridge and attained Life Master's status in Duplicate Bridge. Prior to being set back with Multiple Sclerosis, and in her younger days, Isobel was athletic and competitive in softball, curling, water-skiing and badminton. She enjoyed horseback riding and had great marksmanship. Isobel raced snowmobiles in oval track competitions in Saskatchewan where she was the only female against a field of men, and won many of those competitions. She also logged thousands of miles riding her own motorcycles. One of her greatest passions was her garden at the farm, near Briercrest. It was an oasis on the prairies, with fruit trees, and irrigated patches of flowers and vegetables of all kinds. Isobel spent the past nine years in the town of Maple Creek, where she made many friends. She enjoyed the community and her scenic trips in the Cypress Hills. A Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. at Moose Jaw Funeral Home. Pastor Marvin Seaborg will officiate and interment will follow at Sunset Cemetery. Those so wishing may make a donation in Isobel's name to the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, 150 Albert St, Regina, SK S5R 2N2 or the Canadian Cancer Society, 1910 McIntyre St, Regina, SK S4P 2R3. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. James Murdock, Funeral Director 306-693-4550