

Murdoch, Fern Violet

October 17, 2022



Fern Violet Murdoch

The family of **Fern Violet Murdoch** sadly announces her passing on Friday, October 14th, 2022. Fern was born in Guernsey, Saskatchewan on June 12th, 1927. She was predeceased by her parents, Irvin and Vera Gingrich; husband, Leslie Murdoch; infant daughter, Joyce Murdoch; sister, Lorraine Cutting; brothers: Raymond Gingrich, Cecil Gingrich, Arnold Gingrich, and Delbert Gingrich; sister-in-law, Sylvia Gingrich; and brother-in-law, Art Cutting. Fern is survived by her daughters, Sharon (Jeff) Bastien and Heather (Dave) Hildebrandt; sister-in-law, Audrey Gingrich; as well as her nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Fern was raised in the Guernsey area and attended Waterloo school and later Business school. As a young adult, Fern lived and worked in Ontario for several years before returning to Saskatchewan. She worked at Progressive Tire in Moose Jaw until

marrying Leslie in 1955. During her years at Briercrest, Fern became a life member of the United Church Women. She was an avid cook and baker, cooking for friends and farm crews. She enjoyed tackling a variety of projects including furniture refinishing and making her own cheese, to name a few. She had a deep love for all animals and for reading. Fern was very independent and described by those who met her as feisty. She was the oldest of her family and outlived all her siblings. The family would like to thank Doctors Geyer, Ramadan, and Fynn for all their care over the years. Also, thanks to the staff of Pioneer Lodge and Crescent Park Retirement Villa for their compassionate care.

The Funeral Service will be held on Friday, October 21st, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in Moose Jaw Funeral Home. Reverend Tim Ellis will officiate and interment will take place in Rosedale Cemetery. **Those not able to attend are able to view the service virtually by going to www.moosejawfuneralhome.com/webcast/.** As an expression of sympathy, donations in Fern's name may be made to SCRAPS (Stray Cat Rescue and Protection Society), Box 1653, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 7K7. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Gary McDowell, Funeral Director 306-693-4550

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Elwood & Vern Lynds on October 17, 2022 at 3:02 pm

Most sincere condolences to all Fern's Family. A very lovely lady, who lived a life well lived.

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Diana Klyne on October 18, 2022 at 1:18 pm

My deepest sympathy, Sharon, to you and your family!
Thinking of you. –Diana Klyne

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Jim and Charlene Lind on October 19, 2022 at 11:48 am

Jeff and Sharon our sincere condolences and thoughts go to you at this time.

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Pat Woodward Forster on October 19, 2022 at 6:03 pm

So sorry to hear of Mrs. Murdoch's passing. I remember her well from my days in Briercrest. She was always involved in the church and her community. My sympathies to the family.

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George Kefford on October 20, 2022 at 9:31 pm

Sharon & Jeff – my sincere condolences go out to you and your family in the loss of your Mom.

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Larry and Brenda Paysen on October 21, 2022 at 11:38 am

Sharon and Jeff, Heather and Dave.....we want to extend our deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear mom.

Fern had a great sense of humour and it was always a pleasure to have a little visit when we would run into her.

Our thoughts are with you.

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Bonnie McBride on October 21, 2022 at 5:35 pm

my sincere condolences Sharon and Jeff, Heather and Dave. She was a wonderful neighbour and a good friend to my mom. I have so many fond memories of your parents, and still have some of your moms famous cookie recipes.

I cherish the wonderful memories I have of her humour and wry grin, her cooking, and her wit.

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