

Riddell, Alitha Florence “Flo”

September 10, 2020



ALITHA FLORENCE “FLO” RIDDELL

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of our mother, **Flo Riddell**, aged 95 years of Moose Jaw, SK on Monday, September 7th, 2020.

Flo was born in Grand Bruit, Newfoundland on May 20th, 1925 to John and Rebecca (Taylor) Dicks. She grew up in Channel-Port aux Basques, Newfoundland and enlisted with the Royal Canadian Air Force Women's Division in 1943 during WWII. Flo had fond memories of these times and being stationed at locations across Canada. While stationed in Nova Scotia, Flo met Charles Riddell and they were married on May 2nd, 1945.

The end of the war brought Flo and Chuck to Moose Jaw to grow their family to include 5 children. Flo's focus was on raising the kids and as they grew up, she worked outside of the home most memorably at the Army & Navy Store. The cabin at Buffalo Pound Lake provided sixty years' enjoyment for family and life-long friendships. Flo enjoyed several trips over the years returning to her beloved Rock, Newfoundland. She always kept busy by volunteering whenever asked, the Legion Ladies

Auxiliary, the Anavets, Red Hat Society activities, social outings, shopping and more shopping! Flo loved to sit and visit with a cup of tea and have a yarn with anyone.

Flo and Chuck were married 72 years and were together each day until his passing in 2017.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles; daughter, Donna Toews (Shaw); son-in-law, Captain John Shaw; and daughter-in-law, Valerie (Pratt) Riddell. Flo is survived by her sons: **Fred** (Pat), **Alf**, and **Bruce** (Cathy); daughter, **Tawnia** (Doug) Stephanson; grandchildren: Starla, Alfie, Robert, Riley, Krystle, Jessica, Chelsie and Brynn; and great-grandchildren: Jordan, Carter, Noah, Luther, Keyn, Kase, Charles and Anastasia. She will also be remembered by special nieces Ida and Margaret, and extended family in Newfoundland.

A Graveside Service will be held on Thursday, September 17th, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Rosedale Cemetery in Moose Jaw, SK. Due to the current Covid-19 health situation, confirmation of attendance must be made by reservation to dandtstephanson@sasktel.net. The family has invited those unable to attend to watch the service live by clicking on the following link: https://youtu.be/R_v3kC9TMXs. In lieu of flowers, donations in Florence's name may be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Andrew Pratt Funeral Director 306-693-4550

1.



Beryl Robinson on September 10, 2020 at 6:22 pm

So sorry to hear about your mom. She was a great gal. Hugs.
Love from Beryl and Ray Robinson.

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2.



Carolyn and Jan Swanson on September 10, 2020 at 6:44 pm

So sorry to hear this news, she was a lovely lady. Cherish those memories!

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3.



[Gayle Jones](#) on September 11, 2020 at 8:07 am

I was so sad to hear the news of Flo's passing. What a lovely lady she was.

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4.



Shelley & Merv Pilsner on September 11, 2020 at 9:44 am

We Are sorry to hear the news of Flo's Passing
She was a Beautiful Soul And Loved by all
We always loved her cheerful personality
Take Care Ok ,Our thoughts and prayers are with you all :
HUG from Us

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5.



Larry & Shirley Clark (Humeny) on September 11, 2020
at 11:56 am

Our sincere condolences to the Riddell family. I will
always remember Flo as a very friendly and always
entertaining lady.

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6.



Margaret Kupper on September 11, 2020 at 4:08 pm

Flo and I were in the Red Hats together. I picked her up
many times and took her to our meetings. She was a
delightful and charming lady, and I missed her alot when
she had to go into Providence Place.I have many wonderful
Red Hat photos of her, if the family would like to see
them.

RIP you beautiful soul.

Love,

Margaret Kupper

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7.



[pete Symenuk](#) on September 11, 2020 at 5:21 pm

My condolences to all the family. Flo was a fine Lady &
always had a friendly smile for everyone !

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8.



Tracie (Payne) Clothier on September 11, 2020 at 5:56 pm

My sincere condolences to Flo's family. I worked at the Army & Navy Store with her many years ago (as did my mom Shirley Payne) and how much we all had back in those days. What a classy lady she was and I'm sure will be missed by many.

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9.



Dorothy Ackerman on September 12, 2020 at 9:12 am

So sorry to hear of the passing of your mom, we had a great time working together as well as our cottages at Buffalo Pound Lake, she will be missed by many.

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10.



Jeff and Sharon Bastien on September 16, 2020 at 1:21 pm

Our sympathy on the loss of your Mom. We are thinking of you all at this sad time.

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