



REMEMBERING

Henrietta (Reta) Hutton Macdonald

November 27, 1916 - December 4, 2014



Henrietta Hutton (Reta) MacDonald passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at Mountain Lakes Seniors Community at the age of 98. Reta was born in Edinburgh Scotland on November 27, 1916 to George Kellie and Margaret Johnstone Kellie (McCulloch). Prior to World War II Reta was a member of the Scottish Fitness League which travelled all over Scotland putting on fitness demonstrations and stage shows. The Fitness League was disbanded during the second world war as most of the members, including Reta, joined the W.R.N.S. (Women's Royal Naval Service). While serving in the W. R. N. S. Reta met Canadian serviceman William David MacDonald, and they were married on June 6, 1944 in Edinburgh. IN 1946, Reta travelled to Halifax and then on to Nelson BC to rejoin her husband. Always full of energy, Reta loved baking treats and bowling with her friends, and she also enjoyed camping and fishing trips with Dave. Reta also took particular joy from her many dogs over the years. Reta spent many years living in Bonnington, BC where Dave was employed by West Kootenay Power and Light. In her later years, she was a cheerful and active member of the Mountain Lakes Community where she could often be found participating in the daily activities such as singing and exercise class.

Surviving are her sister, Jessie Sadler of Trail, BC, niece Dianne Laronde, of Galiano Island, BC, Brothers-in-law Gordon (Buz) MacDonald of Castlegar, BC, Allan MacDonald (Mary) of Nelson, BC, and sister-in-law Betty Ridge of Nelson BC as well as numerous nieces and nephews, and great-nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents and by her husband, Dave MacDonald, as well as by her brothers James, William Alexander (Sandy), George (Dod), and Edward, and by sisters Margaret, Anne, May and Jean.

