

# RAINBOW

## MARY EVA (NEE SORGE)

Long-time resident of Keremeos and Penticton, Mary Rainbow passed away peacefully in Edmonton, AB on September 15, 2016 at the age of 101. Predeceased by her parents Annie and Frank Sorge; husband John Alfred (Jack); sisters Ruth Minshull and Dorothy Smuin; son-in-law Wiebe Bosscha; and grandson Tony Bosscha. Mary is survived by daughters Leona Salo (Vil) of Edmonton and Edna McCreight (Al) of Port Alberni, BC; son John Rainbow (Janet) of Sayward, BC; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Mary was born in Hedley when it was a thriving mining community. She grew up on a fruit farm on the banks of the Similkameen River in Keremeos. In 1935 she married miner Jack Rainbow and lived at the Nickel Plate Mine until 1942, when the family of four moved to Keremeos to take up farming and there the family was completed with the birth of a son. Mary was an active member of the United Church's Katie Clark Auxiliary, contributing her excellent cooking and sewing skills to their activities. After a brief move to Sayward on Vancouver Island, Mary and Jack returned to the Interior and settled in Penticton. Mary joined the Sweet Adoline's, enjoying the singing and travel, and becoming a valuable member because of her sewing skills.

At the age of 90 Mary relocated to Edmonton. She subsequently developed dementia, eventually spending her last years at a Good Samaritan care facility. Our sincere thanks to all the people who contributed to her excellent care in her declining years.

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