

HOFFNER

February 14, 1906 - September 15, 2009

Elsie Emily Elizabeth Hoffner passed away at the Westview Health Centre, Stony Plain at the wonderful age of 103 years. Elsie was predeceased by her husband, Henry in 1969. Elsie will be lovingly remembered by her son, Geoff, granddaughters Brigitte (Mike) Rudnisky and Sara (Roland) Kugler. Four great-grandchildren will miss Nana greatly - Avery and Dylan Rudnisky, Jade and Brendan Kugler. Also left to mourn Great Grandma Hoffner are her extended families - Joan Gallant, Patrick and Bonnie Gallant, David and Charlene Gallant, Lori and Randy Brown, along with four great grandchildren, Kyla and Shawn Gallant, Jacob and Katherine Brown. Elsie was also Gran to Helen Smith, Craig McClure and Shiel, Cody and Marshall Rush. Elsie will be remembered by her many nieces and nephews in England and Calgary, and her special friend Karlene Pratt of Spruce Grove. Elsie was born at Norwich, Norfolk, England, the youngest of ten children. She immigrated to Canada as a war bride in 1944 and settled with her husband and son in Calgary. She moved to Didsbury in 1982 and, at the age of 97, Elsie moved to St. Michael's Grove Manor in Spruce Grove where she resided for six very happy years. Elsie had many interesting stories to tell as she witnessed two world wars while growing up in England. Her greatest love was ballroom dancing, also music, knitting and playing games - any kind of game, be it shuffleboard, puzzles, cards or horse racing. Elsie danced at her 100th birthday party and was still playing the keyboard at 102. Elsie was full of life and always ready for a singsong, a lively chat and spending time with her family and friends. Her parents owned a fish and chip shop in Norwich when she was a young girl and her very favorite dinner was always fish and chips. While in her late eighties, Elsie handknit a collection dolls in authentic costume from around the world; at her request, this collection has been donated to the Multicultural Heritage Centre in Stony Plain. Elsie amazed medical personnel and her caregivers with her incredibly bright mind and infallible memory which never faltered, even during the last months of her life. It was Elsie's wish that her ashes be placed beside Henry at the Mountain View Memorial Garden in Calgary. A celebration of Elsie's life will be held Saturday, October 24, from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at the Pioneer Centre, 301 Jespersen Avenue, Spruce Grove.

BOGLE

W.J.D. (Jim) Bogle passed away in Didsbury on Saturday, October 10, 2009 at the age of 82 years. Jim was born in Stoughton, Saskatchewan on Saturday, June 4, 1927, and was raised in Tisdale, Saskatchewan. Jim attended the University of Saskatchewan after graduating from high school. Upon graduation from University Jim received a job with Canadian Superior Oil where he worked for 31 years. With the company he worked in Virden, Manitoba; Harmattan, Alberta; Calgary, Alberta and Dacca, Bangladesh. Jim married Mitch in 1954 and enjoyed 51 years of marriage before her passing in 2006. Jim was predeceased by both his parents and one infant brother. Jim will be greatly missed by his children: Kelsey (Ted), John and Richard (Kelly) along with his beloved grandsons: Matt, Braden, Eric and Garrett. Jim's memory will be further cherished by his brothers: Ian (Anne), Tom (Mary) and Clyde (Gail). The family would like to thank the EMS responders and the staff of The Didsbury Hospital for their compassion. As well, they are forever grateful to

those whose care and kindness allowed Jim to reside in his own home for the last three years. Memorial Service for Jim will be held at the Elks Hall, 1914- 20 Street, Didsbury on Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations in memory of Jim may be forwarded to The Rosebud Health Foundation Box 962, Didsbury, AB T0M 0W0 or a charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be forwarded to the family from www.mountainviewfuneralchapel.com. Arrangements are entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapel, Didsbury, phone 403-335-4773.

UMBACH

May 1, 1929 - October 19, 2009

In the late evening hours of October 19, Irene Umbach slipped away painlessly and willingly and with gentle dignity as she did all things. Irene's significant interest and great strength were her children, her family, and her church. For over twenty five years, she was a member of St. Giles Presbyterian Church in Calgary, lovingly as a member of the choir and in her later years, also as a Church Elder. All of her children and their achievements were sources of great pride and happiness to her. Irene was associated with the Calgary General Hospital for many years. Firstly, as a Registered Nursing Assistant and then as a Unit Clerk. In her retirement years she enjoyed many wonderful memories and happy moments with her sisters, traveling, cruising, and visiting the Orkney Islands to connect with her family's Scottish heritage. Irene is lovingly remembered and celebrated by her sisters, Dorothy Leppington and Vera Ballantyne; sister-in-law Jean Sinclair; daughters, Judy (Ken) Carter and Tracy (Glen) Homeniuk; sons, Tom (Jean) Umbach, Don (Jill) Umbach and Rick (Carolyn) Umbach; (7) grandchildren and (12) great-grandchildren. Irene was predeceased by her husband Verdun; her parents David Sinclair and Bernice Landreth; sisters, Maisie, Marjorie, Edith, and Margaret; and brothers, Herb, Jim and Wilfred. A Memorial Service was held at St. Giles Presbyterian Church (1102 - 23rd Avenue N.W., Calgary, AB) on Sunday, October 25, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Forward condolences through www.mcinnisandholloway.com. If friends so desire, memorial tributes in Irene's honour may be made directly to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta, 200, 119 - 14th Street N.W., Calgary, AB T2N 1Z6 Telephone: 403-264-5549, www.heartandstroke.ca. The family is grateful for the wonderful care and attention extended to our mother by her friends and the staff of Whitehorn Village Retirement Community, Brentwood Care Centre, and Unit 32 of the Foothills Hospital. In living memory of Irene Umbach, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Chapel of the Bells, 2720 CENTRE STREET NORTH, CALGARY, AB T2E 2V6 Telephone: 1-800-661-1599.

DOYLE

1910 - 2009

Hannah Margrethe Jensine Doyle (nee Sande) passed away peacefully Nov. 3 at Lake Country Lodge, Kelowna B.C. She was born on the homestead in Bergen to Sigvart and Johanna Sande, the oldest of four girls. Hannah married Eric Doyle in 1953 and resided in the Sundre area for most of her 99 years. She was predeceased by her husband, and her sisters Selma and Bessie. She is survived by one sister Irene Bliss of Kelowna, and many nieces and nephews. Family and friends are invited to join in a memorial for Hannah to be held in the Bergen Missionary Church on Nov. 21 at 1 p.m.

MILNE

Sheila Denise Milne (nee Russell) passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on Saturday, October 31, 2009. Loving wife of Dwayne, love of his life and best friend, precious mom to Jan and Joelle - her heart and soul, and proud grandma to 8-month-old Kash. Sheila was a caring and much-loved daughter to Pauline (Don McRae), to Mervyn (1935-2003) to her mother-in-law Anne and father-in-law Owen (1916-1992), and treasured sister of Val (Brian), Rhonda (Greg) and Donna (Garfield). Her family extended to include Dwayne's brother Duncan (Glenda), Audrey (Richard) and Lila (Mike). 12 nieces and nephews blessed her life and she was as proud an aunt as she was a mom. Her family always came first - period. Sheila (Mother She, Rooster, She) brought endless fun and laughter for many years to her Slowpitch teammates of the Cleavers and Dirty Mothers. She was an ace pitcher, all around-player and she enjoyed her time on the slowpitch diamond for 20+ seasons. She leaves an empty spot on the bench that will never be filled. An exceptionally skilled and compassionate LPN for 28 years, Sheila was admired by both patients and co-workers for her dedication to and passion for her profession. She was an exceptionally professional nurse who pursued extensive advanced training and education, but it was her passion, wit and humour while at work and her devotion to her patients' well-being that was most admired and respected. Sheila brought many a smile and much comfort to her patients when she walked into their rooms. When not with her family, playing slowpitch or at work, Sheila spent time with her dogs, and was deeply saddened when she lost Cleo and Cass. Never one to be without a pet, Jack had brought new enjoyment into her life. In camping season, Sheila could be found on her weekends off at the farm with Dwayne and various family members or friends. When the snow fell, she couldn't wait to get her skis out. Sheila was a best friend, friend and confidante. She was an athlete, a coach and a volunteer. Sheila was a woman of strength who gave the best of herself to everyone in her life, a woman of courage who accepted her challenges head on and a woman of spirit who embraced the wonders and marvels of life. Sheila has gone to meet her dad whom she missed so much and will now be at his side to watch over those she loves. Our hearts will always remember ... we love you She. A farewell tribute to Sheila was Friday, November 6, 2009, Didsbury Memorial Complex. Service at 1:00 p.m. with a gathering of her family and friends following the service. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a trust fund set up for Kash Milne at Didsbury ATB, or to the charity of one's choice. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd, Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610 www.heartlandfuneralservices.com

HACKENBERG

Doing what he loved and did best, serving the Lord, Wolfram "Uncle Wolf" Hackenberg passed to his rest on November 13, 2009. He is survived by his wife, daughter and son-in-law and two grandchildren. A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, November 29, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Foothills Camp Lodge (from Olds W Hwy 27, N Rge. Rd. 2.3, W Twp Rd 342 follow to end). In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Adventist Development and Relief Agency. Cremation Arrangements Entrusted to Ponoka Funeral Home 403-783-3122. A Wombold Family Funeral Home.

MORASCH

AUGUST 27, 1930 - NOVEMBER 5, 2009

Harry Morasch passed away at the Olds Hospital after a lengthy illness on November 5th, 2009 at the age of 79 years. Harry was born east of Didsbury on a farm, the youngest son of Adam and Elisabeth Morasch. He grew up on his parents' farm and took his schooling at Neapolis. He loved horses & Rodeo competing in many events including calf roping at the Calgary Stampede in the early 1960s. Harry was pre-deceased by his parents, eight sisters and three brothers. He is survived by two brothers, Danny of Olds & George (Fern) of Calgary. Graveside service & interment at Didsbury cemetery on November 13, 2009 at 2 p.m. Pastor Dave Ingram of the Light House Church Olds officiating.

IVEY

Wayne Ivey, Didsbury, Alberta and formerly of Ituna, Sask, died suddenly on Monday, November 23, 2009 at the age of 62 years. The funeral service was held in Valley Alliance Church, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. on Friday, November 27, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Dawson Brooks officiating. Interment in Lakeview Cemetery, Fort Qu'Appelle. The casket bearers were: Gerald Fisher, Bruce Borden, Lawrence Snider, Lorne Ivey, Jerry Van Oosten and Shaun Dreger. Wayne is survived by two daughters Loreena (Rod) McLellen and their daughters Taylor and Jordan, Delta, B.C. and Donna (Darryl) Milo and their sons Ethan and Aiden, Estevan, SK; his brothers and sisters: Donald Ivey, Kelliher, SK; Hazel (Lawrence) Snider, Fort Qu'Appelle, SK; Allan Ivey, Ituna, SK; Connie (Gerald) Fisher, Regina, SK; brothers-in-law, Orland Wenaas and Bruce Borden; sister-in-law Ruth Ivey and numerous nieces, nephews and special friends. Wayne was predeceased by his parents Thomas and Josephine Ivey; two sisters Marjorie Wenaas and Joan Borden; one brother Thomas Ivey Jr. The arrangements were entrusted to Wes Banbury of Tubman Cremation and Funeral Services.

ARCHER

Feb. 7, 1907 - Nov. 25, 2009

Helen May Archer (nee Weir), known to all as 'May', went home to be with the Lord, Nov. 25th, 1:15 pm, at the age of 102 years, in the Sundre Hospital, Sundre, Alberta. May was born to Jack and Annie Weir on February 7, 1907, near Bowden, Alberta. She was the only daughter and eldest of four children. May attended public school in Olds, Alberta. Later she graduated from normal school in Calgary. She taught for only 2 years before she met Maxwell Eby Archer, a young farmer from east of Didsbury. Max and May were married on December 4th, 1927. Three sons and one daughter were born to them. Jack, (Marion), Paul (Florence), Willard (Elsie), and Helen. Gerry Madoche Atkin later became a part of the family. May took much delight in her nine grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren, and nine great great grandchildren. May was predeceased by her beloved husband, Max, and her middle son, Paul Murray, as well as Paul's wife, Florence. May was blessed with a keen intellect. She was well read and scholarly, with a phenomenal memory. Her many interests included missions, world events, traveling and politics. She liked to listen to 'Question Period' and parliamentary debates. She had definite opinions about every issue and she maintained this interest to the end. She always expressed herself eloquently and well. May was a follower of Jesus Christ. She was a staunch Christian and a member of the Mountain View Missionary Church. She served faithfully as a Sunday school teacher and as

secretary treasurer of the church, during her years there. In 1989, nearly nine years after Max died, she moved away from the farm, into her new house in Sundre. One of May's greatest pleasures was her garden. Growing green things was both a science and a passion to her. Inside the home, she nurtured literally hundreds of species of African violets. May continued living in her own home in Sundre until she broke her hip a few weeks ago. As May's children, we want to offer heartfelt thanks to Dr. Michelle Warren, who went out of her way to make many home visits. We are so grateful to the kind staff of Sundre Hospital, where our mother spent her last days, and to Val Sarsons, who gave Mother such tender care in her own home for the past five years. May's ashes were buried with her husband, Max, on Dec 1st in the Didsbury Cemetery. A Memorial Service was held at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury on December 1st, 2009, at 1 pm. Donations can be made in May's honour to the 'Evangelical Missionary Church of Canada-World Partners.' Heartland Funeral Services Ltd, Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610.

ST. ONGE

Suzanne St.Onge sadly passed away on Thursday, November 26, 2009. She is survived by her parents Maurice & Mary, along with three sisters and one brother. She will be missed dearly.

ALLEN

Wilfred Allen passed away at the Didsbury Hospital on Saturday, December 19, 2009 at the age of 90. Wilfred was born on June 23, 1919 to Arthur and Emma Allen in Retlaw, AB and raised in the Southern Alberta area. He served in WWII. Wilfred married Eileen Bradshaw and raised three children. In 1980 they moved to the Sundre/Didsbury area. Wilfred is survived by his sister Violet Pickering of Lethbridge; three children Barb (George) Paul, Karen Dick and Rodney (Kelly) Allen all of Didsbury; five grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from www.mountainviewfuneralchapels.com. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury. Phone: 403-335-4773. Locally Owned and Operated. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

BLAIN

It is with great sadness that the family of Donald Alexander Blain announces his passing at the Didsbury Hospital on Dec. 14, 2009 at the age of 77 years. Don will be forever remembered by his daughters Sally (Larry) and Nancy, his sisters Vera and Lila (Tom), his nephews, his nieces and their families. His kind and generous ways will be fondly remembered by his many treasured friends. A funeral service was held Dec. 19, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Knox United Church with Mr. Ian Kellogg officiating. Interment was held prior to the service at the Didsbury Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made directly to the Rugby Hall. The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to the staff of Unit 4, the Recreation staff, Dr. Craven and Dr. Smit for the comfort and care they provided to our Dad. We would also like to thank the community for their care and support at this difficult time. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd, Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610. www.heartlandfuneralservices.com

FAIRWEATHER

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden death of Margaret Fairweather at the Didsbury Hospital. Margaret was born May 15, 1926 in Calgary. She really enjoyed the farm life, all the farm animals and gardening. She also drove a school bus for sixteen years for Cardinal Coach Lines and volunteered for Calgary Public Health Services. The doors to her home were always open. Margaret is survived by Dianne Campbell, James Fairweather, Mike and Brian Campbell, Lisa (Brock) McPherson and nephews Allan and Cecil Fraser. A Funeral Service was held at FOSTER'S GARDEN CHAPEL, 3220 - 4 Street N.W., Calgary (across from Queen's Park Cemetery) on Sunday, December 20, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Interment followed at Queen's Park Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded to the family via the website www.fostersgardenchapel.ca.

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McNAUGHTAN

July 12, 1917 - December 18, 2009

John, beloved husband of Catherine McNaughtan of Calgary, formerly of Didsbury, AB, passed away on Friday, December 18, 2009 at the age of 92 years. John was born in Braco Perthshire, Scotland where he farmed with his father. In 1948 he married Catherine Yellowlees of Acme, AB and they recently celebrated their 61st anniversary. They lived in Scotland until 1951 when they moved to the Didsbury area. John and Catherine farmed in the Neapolis area and later in the Midway community until they retired to Didsbury in 1983. In 2004 they moved to Calgary where he has since resided. In his retirement he enjoyed golfing, painting and bowling. Besides his loving wife Catherine, John is survived by his son Ian of Sydney, Australia, and his three daughters and two sons-in-law: Margaret McNaughtan of New Westminster, BC, Sheila McNaughtan and Russ Heppell of Edmonton and Elizabeth (Bea) McNaughtan and Joel Mayer of Calgary. He is also survived by his sister-in-law Edna Yellowlees and her family. Funeral Services will be held at Knox United Church, 1406 - 19th Ave. Didsbury, AB on Wednesday, December 23, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. Forward condolences through www.mcinnisandholloway.com. If friends so desire memorial tributes may be made to the Knox United Church Memorial Fund. In living memory of John McNaughtan, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Park Memorial Chapel, 5008 ELBOW DRIVE S.W. Telephone: (403) 243-8200.