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HAYNES, Elizabeth A. "Betty" (nee Carlow) 1923 - 2016



Recently, my beautiful mother Betty passed away peacefully in Victoria at the age of 92. Born in Victoria, she was the youngest daughter of Edwin A. Carlow and Elizabeth F. "Lizzie" Carlow (nee Barr). Betty was a descendant of the pioneer Irvine family that immigrated to Victoria in 1851 from the Orkney Islands in Scotland. Betty began her education at the original Craigflower School where she was awarded the book *A Modern Cinderella* "for ranking first - December 1932". She continued her education at Victoria West School and was awarded the Principal's Prize for the "top-ranking student in

grade VIII', and she graduated from Victoria High School. As a career legal secretary, Betty worked for a variety of lawyers at several law firms in Victoria, and was a charter member of the Victoria Legal Secretaries Association. Over the years she traveled Vancouver Island, California, Hawaii, Mexico, and Great Britain, cruised to Alaska, and drove her car round trip from Mile Zero in Victoria to St. John's, Newfoundland, traveling easterly across the United States and returning through Canada. Betty was an avid high scoring bowler and a member of the Saanich Silver Threads where she enjoyed playing Eucher with her friends and eating Chef Brian's delicious meals. When visiting Port Angeles, she was always excited to make a trip or two to the casino and the Port Angeles Senior Center where she enjoyed playing her favorite game, cribbage. The luck of the Irish was always with her! Mom knitted beautiful sweaters, dish cloths and doll clothes, and created treasured needlepoint for her home and her family. Her favourite pastime was gardening. "Garden Forever - Housework Whenever" was her motto. Betty loved her family, all of them. She never spread gossip or said an unkind word about anyone. She was a true and loyal friend, and an unwavering Toronto Blue Jays fan. In addition to her parents Betty was predeceased by her husband Maxwell Haynes who was born in St. John's, Nfld.; her five siblings, Edwin P. Carlow, Helen J. Mortensen, Ruth C. Lalonde, Rowena J. Jones, and Robert N. Carlow; many nieces and nephews and wonderful friends. Surviving are her loving daughter Mardi and son-in-law David G. Sellars of Port Angeles, WA; and several nieces and nephews.