



CLARKE, Josephine Ruth (nee Wilson)

April 1922 - October 2021

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Josephine (Jo) Clarke here in Victoria on October 9, 2021 in her one hundredth year, with her beloved caregivers and son at her side. Predeceased by mother Dorothy Wilson (1991), husband, Harry (1990) and daughter Heather Clarke-Axelson (2017). She is survived by son Drew and granddaughter Jennie Axelson, who will miss her greatly. Jo

was born and raised in Victoria by her mother who operated Victoria's pre-eminent dance and ballet school between the Wars.

Married in 1948 to Harry (also raised in Victoria), she followed him to eastern Canada where he pursued a career in commercial aviation. Classically educated locally, yet unpretentious, Jo involved herself in several volunteer community activities during the many years she lived near Georgetown, Ontario, while raising her children. Jo loved gardening, culture, and the Monarchy and was awarded the St. John's Ambulance Cross. Several years after becoming a grandmother, Jo happily returned home to Victoria in 2012.