



Donna Eve Naylor

July 10, 1931 - September 18, 2014

NAYLOR, Donna Eve

In loving memory of Donna Eve Naylor (nee Diaper), born July 10, 1931 in Calgary, and who died in Edmonton on September 18, 2014.

Donna is survived by two of her three children: Verlie Gilligan and her family, Dean Jenkins and his family, the family of her son Chris Jenkins (predeceased); her brother Randy Diaper and his family and the children of her second husband George Naylor (predeceased, Heather Matthews, her family and Jennifer Naylor.

Donna daughter of Vida and Cecil Diaper, grew up in Calgary surrounded by a large extended family and supportive church community. Donna married Bob Jenkins and gave birth to Chris and Verlie while still in Calgary. The young family moved to Edmonton and expanded with the addition of Dean. Donna later married George, her life partner for 33 years. They retired to Victoria, escaping prairie winters and being closer to Donna's mother and George's children, but returned to Edmonton for their last years.

Music was Donna's passion. A passion that grew as she studied violin at the Mount Royal Conservatory in Calgary, that blossomed in her first professional experience with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, and that came to full

flower in her long career with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, her string quartet, and many other ensembles. It was a passion that she passed along to her students. A passion that she could partner in with George and instill in her children and grandchildren. A passion that she shared with her friends and church family and a passion that has become her legacy.

A time to celebrate Donna's Life and share memories and music together will be held on Monday, November 10, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Community of Christ Church, 6919-83 Street, Edmonton, AB, with High Priest Stephen Thompson officiating.

In memory, donations may be made to World Accord, International Development Agency, <http://worldaccord.org> 1-800-525-3545.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **10**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Community of Christ Church
6919-83 Street
Edmonton, AB

Tribute Wall

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“ My memories of Donna go back to before Dean was born. Donna always gave so generously of her time & her talent to enrich the musical experience of those around her. In George, she seemed to have found her soulmate as well as her musical "other half". Together they contributed to the church community & the larger Edmonton community by their commitment to excellence & leadership in the advancement of music appreciation in our lives. It is hard to imagine Donna beomg at church without her violin! She had a wonderful giggle/laugh that was always accompanied by her broad, open smile. Such a blessing to have had the privilege of knowing her, even as little as I felt I did.
Warm thoughts & deepest sympathy to all of her family --- she loved each of you so much. I expect she is still making beautiful music.

Doreen Erker - October 03, 2014 at 02:24 PM

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“ Donna was a mover - I worked with her on a committee at church and she sure got things done - it was a pleasure to work with her. My thoughts are with the Gilligan Family and the rest of the family.
Sincerely Joyce and George Cook

Joyce Cook - September 22, 2014 at 11:37 AM