



Eileen Sarah Elizabeth White

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Eileen Sarah Elizabeth White finally rejoined her beloved husband Wilfred (Wilf) on 12/15/2021 at the age of 104 years and 168 days old.

Eileen grew up in Toronto during The Great Depression. She was honest, independent, practical and had a strong work ethic. One of her favourite places to visit as a child was Sunnyside Beach. Her father would often take her, her sister Gwen and brother Bink by streetcar and they would spend the day swimming. Eileen's parents emigrated from England, her first job when she was 12 years old was cutting newspaper at their fish & chip shop on Bloor St. This cultivated Eileen's absolute love of everything English including but not limited to fish & chips which she ate every day as a child.

Anyone who knew Eileen also knew she was a remarkable woman who never raised her voice or said an unkind word. Her positive attitude and resilience enabled her to endure the Great Depression, World War II and other hardships and tragedies throughout her long life including the deaths of family members and friends.

Eileen and her beloved Wilf were both very musical. During The Great Depression, when she was 10 years old Eileen's father bought her a violin for \$100. Eileen not only mastered the violin but also became an accomplished if not humble violinist. Eileen with her violin and Wilf on piano often performed songs together with their friends. After Wilf passed away in August 1992, Eileen not wanting the music to stop, honoured him by teaching herself to play the piano.

Eileen was a career woman long before her time and took great pride in her occupation as the personal secretary of an Executive at Imperial Oil. In addition to being a career woman, Eileen was a wonderful mother who took 10 years off work to adopt and raise two children, daughter Devon (Ron) and beloved son John (Karen). Also left to mourn Eileen is her niece Gwen (Jim) and nephew Lorne (Joanna).

Eileen easily had THE sweetest tooth on earth and true to her disciplined personality

limited her indulgence of chocolates and sweets to allowing herself only one every-single-day.

After leaving her lovely house in Etobicoke 5 1/2 years ago, Eileen continued to live her best life at The Balmoral Club where she was treated like royalty and was able to enjoy live music and sweets often with her family in attendance.

We love you Eileen, Mom, Mummy, Auntie Eileen, Grandma (to Farrah) and we will miss you terribly.

The family plans to hold a celebration of life memorial service in spring 2022.

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