



## Barbara Parlette

July 3, 2023

Barbara PARLETTE

July 10, 1925 – July 3, 2023

Died peacefully at the age of 97, a week shy of her 98th birthday.

Barbara lived most of her life in Scarborough Ontario. Born Barbara Babcock in Newport, Massachusetts to parents Reginald and Jenny, her family moved to Nova Scotia when she was a young girl. Later, as a young woman residing in Ontario, she married Thomas Guy Parlette, who she had met back east at a dance.

A devoted wife and mother of four children, she, like many mothers of her generation, was a homemaker and the foundation of family life. The domestic responsibilities of managing a household of six left little time for personal pleasures. When she did find time she enjoyed the women's bowling league, badminton nights, Sunday ice skating with Guy and the many summers at Lovesick Lake and winter trips to Puerto Vallarta.

To the delight of her children, she developed an impressive baking repertoire and often found relaxation in knitting. Over the years, her well-honed skills produced countless scarves, mittens and afghans.

Her philanthropic efforts included assisting her husband's work at St. Theresa's parish credit union, as well as canvassing on behalf of the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

She is survived by her daughter Stephanie Johnston, and her sons Tom, Terry (Donna) and Bruce (Sandra). Grandmother of Sarah, Sam, Brandon, Vanessa, Tanya, Adam, Tristan, Abbie, Aaron and Melissa. Great-grandmother of Liam, Dylan, Maiah, Izaak, Barin and Ralph. She also leaves her brother Barry. Predeceased by brother Brian (Bidy) and sister Beverly. She will be missed by her many family and friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Morning mom  
Happy birthday a year has passed since you left you would have  
been 99 today love Tom happy birthday*

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**Thomas parlette** - July 10, 2024 at 01:17 PM

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“ *My sister-in-law Barbara Parlette. A loving mother, grandmother and  
wife. A constant devotion to my high energy brother in his many  
ventures, the credit union, their dances, his involvement in  
politics, federal, provincial and municipal. Meals on wheels she was  
always there. When they invited members of the family to a 2 week  
vacation in Puerto Vallarta, she was there. 10 members of the family  
were able to relax, catch up on the news and have a great  
time. Thank you Barb for all that you did for so many. Keith & Mary  
Oliver*

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**Robert Keith Oliver** - July 14, 2023 at 01:55 PM

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“ *Mom today would of been you're 98 th birthday. Happy Birthday. I  
remember I was about five years old going to Dr Cleo our dentist for  
a checkup. Not a quick trip as we were living on Commonwealth  
Ave. Walking down to Danforth catching the bus then streetcar, to  
arrive at his office at the corner of Danforth Rd and Coxwell ave. On  
the return home trip we stopped at Maple leaf ice cream to have a  
ice cream cone. Thanks again Mom . Love you and miss you Tom.*

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**Thomas Parlette** - July 10, 2023 at 09:23 AM