## Joan Rubena Lillico

July 4, 1930 - February 3, 2017

On February 3, 2017 Joan Rubena Lillico passed away peacefully with family and Minto House staff by her side in Nakusp, BC at age 86. Joan was born July 4, 1930 in Pouce Coupe, BC to Wesley and Ruby Lillico.

Joan is survived by her children Ken (Shirley) Johnson of Blairmore, Alberta, Brenda (Frank) Kennedy of Nakusp, BC, Les (Trina) Johnson of Fort St. John, BC, Karen (Dennis) Roy of Ethelbert, Manitoba, sister Marjorie Gillies of Langley, BC, her good friend Donna Mair, fourteen grandchildren, twenty-three great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Joan was pre-deceased by both parents, husband Robert Johnson, daughter Judi Couturier, son Daniel Johnson, granddaughter Tamara Aller, brothers Bert, Harold, Don, and Gordon Lillico, sisters Eileen McKone, Kathy Speers, nephew Gary Lillico, niece Debbie Day, great-nephew Josh Speers, brother-in-law Glenn Gillies and sister-in-law Sadie Lillico.

Joan was known for her sense of humor, gentle spirit, and innate wisdom and knowledge of what is true or right, which were the cornerstones of Joan's amazing personality. These attributes made her an incredible crisis line volunteer. Never wanting to let people down, she showed up for every shift and always made herself available for anyone in need.

Joan loved life and gathering with friends and family was the highlight of her day. She spent many years enjoying traveling, knitting, crocheting, crafts, gardening, and fishing. Most of all she loved her children, grandchildren, and her family and friends and took great joy in visiting and being there for them. Joan will be loved and missed by all who knew and loved her.

Joan's parting words were "I love each and every one you very, very much!"

A memorial service will be held Friday, February 24, 2017 at 11:00 am at the Bergeron Chapel in Dawson Creek, BC, with inurnment to follow. Donations in Joan's name may be made to Minto House, P.O. Box 87, Nakusp BC, VOG 1RO.

The family of Joan Lillico would like to sincerely thank Minto House Residential Care Facility for the impeccable care she received. We appreciate your dedication, compassion and grace. Minto House became part of Mom's family and she described the staff as her angels.

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