

LUCILLE VAN TASSEL

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Lucille Van Tassel, a long time resident of Dawson Creek, B.C. passed away on Sunday, April 16, 2017 in Dawson Creek at the age of 84 years.

Lucille Louise Lafond was born to Louisa and Floribert Lafond on June 22, 1932 and was the sixth of seven children born in the Lafond family. Born and raised in Morinville, Alberta Lucille was a hard worker from a young age. She spent many hours helping her dad with the horses, helping her mother and grandmother around the house, and waitressing in her teen years.

In September of 1950, 17 year old Lucille was invited to meet up with some friends at a coffee shop in Morinville. It was here that she met her future husband, Jim. They were later married in Morinville on January 22, 1951 and were married for 56 years before Jim's passing in 2007.

Family was absolutely everything to Lucille. She was meant to be a mother and was fortunate enough to welcome three wonderful children into the world: Neil, Wayne, and Allan. She was so incredibly proud of each one of them, and their many accomplishments. Out of all of their many successes, she was most proud of the husbands and fathers that they had become; always putting family first.

"Small, but feisty" was always a phrase that the family used to describe Lucille. There was not much that she didn't do or tried to tackle. It was not uncommon to see Lucille helping Jim carry heavy items, shingling roofs, building houses, fixing vehicles, dry walling, or butchering a moose. She was also quite talented at knitting, making many sweater outfits for the new babies in the family, as well as knitting toques that she donated to new babies in the hospital. Working in her garden was something she truly enjoyed over the past few years.

The Van Tassel family was always filled with great memories, generally along with a great deal of chaos. Perhaps the best location for all of these memories was the cabin at Swan Lake. It was a place that Lucille could have all of her kids together "under one roof".

A Visitation was held on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 PM from Reynars Funeral Chapel. A Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 2:00 PM from Reynars Funeral Chapel. Father Louis Kwena officiated. Interment followed in the Brookside Cemetery.

For friends so wishing, donations may be made in memory of Lucille to the Canadian Cancer Society - British Columbia and Yukon Division, 565 West 10 Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Z 4J4.

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