

# *Doreen Ruth Currie*

Doreen Ruth Currie formerly from St. Mary's, Ontario died June 18, 2012 at Kensington Village Nursing Home in London, Ontario. She died of natural causes after some years of a progressive dementia.

Born in Smokey Lake, Alberta on November 11, 1926 to Charles and Marion Vessey, Doreen spent most of her childhood and eight years of marriage in St. Marys. This was the place she called home. Doreen was an accomplished teacher and amateur artist. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1960 and taught high school Home Economics and English in Niagara Falls and London Ontario. She also graduated with Master of Education from University of Michigan. From 1975 to 1993 she taught adult learning and secondary school in the Mackenzie Delta area of the Northwest Territories, living in the communities of Aklavik, Tuktoyuktuk and Inuvik.

Doreen retired in 1993 and then taught English in the town of Lukow in eastern Poland. She was there for a year and then studied art at Jagelonian University in the historic city of Krakow until 2001. Doreen returned to Canada in 2001, and came to St. Marys in 2005. She spent most of her remaining years there.

Doreen is survived by her four sons Peter, Richard, David, Robert and one grandson. She was pre-deceased by her brother James Vessey and her grandson Zachary Currie.

The Memorial Service for Doreen Ruth Currie will be held at St. Marys United Church, 85 Church St. South, St. Marys, Ontario at 11:00 am, Saturday, June 23, 2012. Interment to follow in St. Marys Cemetery. Online condolences can be sent through [www.hodgesfuneralhome.ca](http://www.hodgesfuneralhome.ca).

