Elinor Jane Essex

Passed peacefully at the Vera M. Davis Centre Nursing Home, Bolton on Sunday, January 4, 2015, after a seven year illness with dementia, Elinor Jane Essex, Tottenham, in her 94th year, beloved wife of Alan Lancelot Essex for 67 years. Loving mother of David and his wife Gail Essex, Mississauga; Karin Stinson, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories; Craig and his wife Debbie Essex, Nobleton. Cherished grandmother of Starr and Cory McLachlan, Yellowknife; Ella and Scott Wray, Yellowknife; Cleo and Will Scott, Yellowknife; Kevin and Melanie Essex, Etobicoke; Darryl and Sonia Essex, Whitby; Bailee and Pat Dumouchelle, Barrie; Walker Essex, Nobleton. Adored great-grandmother of Ula and Stig McLachlan, Yellowknife; and Brooklyn Essex, Whitby. Dear sister of the late Janet Wren, Marion Hadley, Isabelle Rescral, Alison Hesketh, and James Suttie. Dear sister-in-law of Joan Yates and predeceased by Stella and Mabel. Elinor was born in the west end of Toronto in 1921. She loved her sports. When Elinor was a teenager she played the position of back catcher in baseball for the Toronto Baseball League. She played the seasons playoffs at the Sunnyside Stadium. When the children were small, Elinor spent the summers at the cottage and the children lived in their bathing suits until bed time, when Elinor would blow a whistle and advise them and the neighbours’ children that it was bed time. A neighbour called Elinor “The Warden”. When an empty nester, Elinor bowled twice a week in Bolton and joined a golf group, swim club and an art group. She enjoyed shuffleboard in the spring and fall and curling in the winter. Elinor’s family would like to send a huge thank you to all management, staff and volunteers at the Vera M. Davis Centre Nursing Home for their loving care of Elinor. Also for the kind and professional care and love from Barbara Holmes for Elinor’s last four years. A memorial service was held in Bolton on January 7, 2015. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Vera M. Davis Centre, 80 Allan Drive, Bolton L7E 1P7.

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