After a long life at times fraught with tragedy and an eight year battle with dementia, Leona’s health deteriorated rapidly in January. On January 11, 2015 at 3:30 pm, surrounded by family, she passed peacefully at Michener Extended Care Centre in Red Deer, AB. Before she died Leona told her caregivers and family she wanted “to go home”. So she did, joining her deceased husband Ted (1965) and sons Norman (1978) and Ted Jr. (2006). Leona leaves to mourn her, a son Gerald, daughters Joan, Janice (Wally) and Louise (Doug), eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, five sisters and many nieces and nephews. In accordance with her wishes, Leona’s bodily remains were cremated.

There will be a funeral service, followed by luncheon, at Sacred Heart Parrish Church, 5508 - 48A Avenue, Red Deer, AB at 1:00 pm on January 30, 2015. A celebration of Leona’s life will be held at her birthplace Fort Smith, NT on July 17, 2015. Please join us in bidding Leona rest, peace and oneness with creation. Donations to charities sponsoring Dementia and Alzheimer’s Disease will be appreciated instead of flowers.