



**JOHNSTON,
Edna Muriel
July 10, 1929 -
Nov. 25, 2020**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Muriel Johnston (nee Norum) on November 25, 2020 at Oliver Lodge in

Saskatoon. Muriel was born July 10, 1929 near Imperial, Sask. to Arnold and Esther Norum and was raised on the family farm. She was a gracious lady with a gentle spirit, and accepted and welcomed every person she met. She always enjoyed being surrounded by family and friends. Muriel married David Garth Johnston on January 21, 1947 and they lived in several small towns before Dave rejoined the air force in the early '50s. They spent a year at the airbase in Trenton, Ont. and nine years at the airbase in Moose Jaw, Sask. After Dave retired from the air force he worked for Unemployment Insurance Commission and the family spent time in Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Yorkton, and Regina. During all the moves Muriel became very proficient at creating a new home, settling kids into school, meeting new people, and making friends. She enjoyed selling Avon, helping Dave with house renovations, and creating a garden haven in the back yard. She was an excellent seamstress and sewed not only for her family but also had a home business making clothes for others including wedding and bridesmaids' dresses. Wherever they were, their house was always open to family and friends for a meal or an overnight stay. She always enjoyed family reunions with the Johnston and the Norum families. The extended family of nieces and nephews was a very important part of Muriel's life. She had no greater joy than holding the newborn family members. After retirement Muriel and Dave moved to Colonsay and spent time renovating another house and working on the yard. Muriel was a member of the Colonsay United Church, the Royal Canadian Legion, the Rebekahs, and the Red Hat Society. She spent many

hours sewing and creating beautiful quilts that she gave to her family. One highlight for Muriel was a six week trip to England where they attended a reunion at Methwold Airbase, where Dave was stationed during the war, followed by visits with English relatives, and touring England and Scotland. Following Dave's death in 2000 Muriel stayed in Colonsay for eight years then moved into Saskatoon and enjoyed condo life at Chalet Gardens for nine years. She married her second husband Richard Turner of Moose Jaw on April 26, 2013 and they spent their summers together at his farm near Tuxford, Sask. and their winters at the condo in Saskatoon. Their time together gave everyone a chance to know and love Richard's family and welcome them into the Johnston family. Never to be forgotten is the celebration of the extended families at the Turner farm with the heavy rain and stuck vehicles.

Muriel was predeceased by her husband Dave Johnston, brother Gerald Norum and his wife Jeanette, brother Raymond Norum, sister Lorraine Fish, son Duane Johnston, son-in-law Bob Gregoire, and second husband Richard Turner.

Muriel is survived by her children Linda Care, Donald (Bonnie) Johnston, Debby (Karl) Prosper, Gayle Gregoire, Cathy (Steve) Weir, Lorraine (Frank) Johnston-MacKay, 17 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Muriel is also survived by her brother Cliff (Sue) Norum, sisters Arlene Hanson, Carolyn (Joe) MacNeill, Shirley Norum (Jack Barabash), brother-in-law Frank Fish, sister-in-law Bernie Norum and stepson Dave (Bonny) Turner, stepdaughter Gloria (Bill) Stevenson, and their families.

The family would like to thank the staff at Luther-care Intermediate Care Home in Saskatoon for making Muriel's final two and a half years of life so very special. We deeply appreciate the care and love they provided.

A private family graveside service will be held. In lieu of flowers the family requests that you make a donation in memory of Muriel to the charity of your choice.