



Violet Dergousoff

November 20, 1921— May 2, 2013

Violet Dergousoff was born November 20, 1921 in Pelly, Sask. to parents Mary Markin and Mike Pereverzoff . Violet was the middle child of 3 children, brother Nick and sister Nester. Violet graduated public school, then as many young people at that time, went to work in the orchards in the summer, coming back home for winter. Violet was particularly good at working in the packing houses, winning prizes for speed and quality.

During her childhood the family lived in Thrums until 1945, and then moved to Slocan Park, with her mother Mary, brother Nick and sister Nester. The family saved their pennies to build a new home. Violet learned many skills from her mother and became renowned for her garden and dairy products. Violet sold her vegetables and milk products in the Slocan Valley and went to Nelson every Saturday morning to the market.

Violet met her husband Nick in Slocan Park. They married in 1950, and were blessed with two children Edward and Marilyn.

Violet and Nick raised their children on the "other side of the river" in Slocan Park. Nick would work away from home on construction or in the bush, Violet helped by growing large gardens and keeping cows and chickens. In 1974 her sister Nester passed away. Violet then took care of their mother. Violet and Nick made the move to "this side of the river". They built a new house and revitalized the earth to once again grow wonderful fruit and

vegetables.

In 1994, the farm in Slocan Park was getting too hard for Nick and Violet to manage. They sold the farm and bought a little house in Brilliant. Violet and Nick loved their new "little farm". Unfortunately this joy did not last long, Nick died of a heart attack after 10 months. Violet lived alone for 6 years, then moved to White Birch Manor in Delta to be closer to her family. When Violet was not able live independently, she moved to Suncreek Village in Surrey.

Violet and Nick were life- long members of the USCC organization. It was important for Violet to live close to the "Dom" to be able to attend all the meetings and celebrations that were going on. It was special to her heart when her grandchildren came to her little house to attend the May festival. Violet was proud of her heritage, she always made sure to remind her grandchildren that we are Doukhobors. This reminder will remain with them forever.

Violet will be remembered for her love and generosity. She had touched the hearts of everyone that she met during her life. We love her dearly and will always treasure the memories, the help and the advice that she has left us with.

Violet will be missed by her son Ed (Debbie), daughter Marilyn (Pat), grandchildren Alexandra, Graeme(Sandy) and great granddaughter (Abigail).

In Memoriam
Vechnaya Pamyat

Preserving the memory of our deceased family members and friends

Submitted by: