Bonin Marie-Lucille

CAVALLIN, Marie Lucille Carmella (AKA Bea) Marie Lucille Carmella Cavallin (AKA Bea) was born in Saskatchewan to Jean Louis and Noella Bonin on November 23rd, 1931. The family moved several times, so Bea spent her happy childhood in Cherryville, BC, northern Saskatchewan and Creston. Bea met Albert Cavallin in Trail where she was employed in a grocery store. They married in Creston in 1951 and moved to Trail where Kim and Bob were born. The family moved to Warfield, then Tahsis, then Kelowna, where Sherry was born. From there, they moved back to Trail, then to Kimberley, where Loren was born, and where they settled for the duration of Al's career with Cominco. Bea was the ultimate people person; she made many friends and always welcomed friends and family (and occasionally strangers) to her home. She found time to work at the thrift shop and crisis center as well as other volunteer organizations, and worked with preschool education. Bea enjoyed fishing, mushroom hunting, exploring bush roads and "creative" wine making. Above all her other interests, Bea valued her family most, and loved to spend time with her children and grandchildren. In 1985, Bea and Al moved to Vancouver Island where Bea enjoyed working and socializing at the Parksville Thrift Shop. In 2001 they moved to Hope where, 8 years later in November 2009, Al passed away. Bea decided to move back to the Kootenays and was in the process of doing so when she died unexpectedly but peacefully in her sleep. Bea was predeceased by her husband Al and brother Steve Bonin. She is survived by her children Bob (Debbie), Sherry (Fred), Loren (Shaun), and Kim; Grandchildren Michelle, Tyson, Angelina, Sofie, Erin, Maggie and Hayley; Sisters Jeannette (Willie) and Doris, and sister-in-law Bernice Bonin.