



Mary Maxwell (Maloff)

1923 - 2013



With late husband , Mike Maxwell (Masloff)

Maxwell, Mary (nee Maloff), born in 1923 in Veregin, Saskatchewan, passed away peacefully with her family holding her hands and reading her scripture, on March 4, 2013 in Maple Ridge, BC. Predeceased by her husband Mike in 2004 and daughter Mary Streloff in 1969, she will be missed by her grandchildren Blair Streloff and Trish Streloff, and great grandchildren Ella and Caleb, and numerous friends.

Mary was born the daughter of Alec Maloff and Matrusha Fofanoff. She was the youngest daughter and had an older brother, Alec, with the eldest being Vera.

Mary moved with her family as a young girl from Veregin, Saskatchewan to Taghum, BC. She later married Fred Voykin of Grand Forks and there they had her only child, Mary Voykin. Fred passed away and later Mary married Mike Masloff. After her daughter married and had children, Mary sadly lost her tragically. She then moved to Pitt Meadows, BC on the West Coast with her husband, Mike Maxwell (Masloff).

There they lived and worked on their 10 acre farm for over 40 years. Mary loved the outdoors and loved to grow and nurture plants, flowers and vegetables of any kind. Eventually they planted eight acres of blueberries, which they harvested and sold, much to the delight of many neighbours, friends and family.

Mary enjoyed entertaining her friends and family

on her wonderful property, as often as should could. After losing her husband, Mike, she still lived on the farm until October 2012, working the land as she so loved to do.

Mary was tireless in her ambition and passion. Her strength and drive awed all those around her. She continued with this strength right up until the moment she passed.

Mary lived a very long and healthy life for most of her life, which she always attributed to her Doukhobor diet and roots.

She spoke often about the Kootenays and how she missed the land, the people, and her culture. Although she had not been involved in the community for many years, she maintained a strong connection to her roots and a few friends who have survived her.

Mary will be laid to rest with her daughter, mother, father, brother and sister, in the Brilliant Community Cemetery on March 14, 2013.

There will be a service for Mary at the Castlegar Funeral Chapel at 10am, Thursday, March 14, 2013, followed by a burial service in Brilliant and then a reception at the Brilliant Cultural Centre; Leonard Voykin officiating and Castlegar Funeral Chapel in care of arrangements.

The family encourages all who knew her and distant relatives alike to attend the service and reconnect her loved ones with their roots.



In Memoriam
Vechnya Pamyat

Preserving the memory of our deceased family members and friends