CARON, Darlene Emily (Carruthers)

passed peacefully on Sunday, January 8, 2017, with her loving family by her side. She will be sadly missed by her husband of 54 years, John M. Caron, of Guelph. She was an incredibly loving and inspiring mother to Laurie Caron Pasher (George) of Cape Breton, Leanne Caron Piper of Guelph, and David Caron (Jodi Armstrong) of Toronto. Loving grandmother to Justin, Jaime, and Kalvin Goyer (Natalie Loft), Shawna Smith, Bradley, Lyndsay, Bryan (Claudia Smith), and Douglas Piper, and Olivia and Spencer Caron. Great-grandmother to Lion Ciuffreda.

Darlene was born April 3, 1939 in Drumheller, Alberta, daughter of Floyd and Peggy (Taylor) Carruthers. The eldest of four siblings, she will be mourned by sister Phyllis (Herman) Nygaard, and brothers Douglas (Penny) and Bill (Trish Bailie) Carruthers, and sister-in-law Myrna Carruthers. She was proud of her Prairie roots and her coal-mining and blacksmithing heritage. Darlene was the first of her family to seek post-secondary education, graduating as a Registered Nurse from Calgary General. She moved to Winnipeg to specialize in Operating Room nursing, where she met a dashing RCAF officer and they married soon after. John and Darlene settled near Arkell in the 1970s, and later to Guelph, where Darlene worked at St. Joseph's and Guelph General Hospital. She was a kind and caring soul, and throughout her life was active in many community activities. One of her greatest pleasures was going to the Guelph Farmers Market on Saturday mornings.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Friends of the Guelph Public Library, through the Guelph Community Foundation are welcome at the funeral home or through CanadaHelps.





A celebration of life for

Darlene Emily Caron (Carruthers)

April 3, 1939 - January 8, 2017

Gilbert McIntyre & Son Funeral Home, 252 Dublin St. N. Guelph, ON Greeter Lyndsay Piper

Officiant Allan Falconer

Musicians
Shawna Smith
Drew Staniforth

Pallbearers
David Caron
Spencer Caron
Justin Goyer
Kalvin Goyer
Bradley Piper
Bryan Piper

Readers
Douglas Piper
Jaime Goyer

Reception to Follow
Gilbert MacIntyre and Son Funeral Home

Interment following Reception Woodlawm Memorial Park Woolwich Street, Guelph

Order of Service

Opening Words
Allan Falconer

Music Shawna Smith, Breathe by Taylor Swift

Darlene's Life
David Caron

Reading
Death, Be Not Proud by John Donne
Douglas Piper

Music Unforgettable by Nat King Cole

Reading:
Remember by Christina Rossetti
Jaime Goyer

Remembrances
Laurie Caron Pasher

Eulogy
Leanne Caron Piper

Closing Remarks
Allan Falconer

Recessional
Amazing Grace (organ)