

## Obituary for Sarah Hilda Quinton

Passed peacefully on November 4th in Toronto, Sarah Hilda Quinton, in her 103rd year. Sarah was predeceased by her husband Bertram in 1978, later her sister Eileen, brother Gerald (Hilda), brother Adolph (Dorothy), sister Blanche, stepson Donald (Donna).

Leaving to mourn her loving daughter Karen, son Leith (Rebecca), and stepson David (Françoise). Grandchildren are Luke (Nina), Joshua (Melissa Smallwood), Cassidy (Mike Mackey), John (Valerie), Cathy, and Christine (Jake Power). Great grandchildren are Kristen, Jessie and Kyle Downey, Nicola and Jordan Power, Otto and Oliver Quinton, Beatrice Quinton, and Ethan, Lila, and Ava Quinton.

Born on February 7th, 1922, in Red Cliffe, Bonavista Bay, Newfoundland, Sarah helped raise two families after her marriage in St. John's. Throughout her life, she became a true tour de force. She successfully ran a grocery store in the downtown area, worked as an admitting clerk at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital for over a decade, and at age 90 was honoured in a special ceremony recognizing her 25 years of volunteer service in pastoral care.

To all who knew her, Sarah was the embodiment of kindness, generosity, and quiet strength. She welcomed everyone who crossed her path with an open heart and a warm smile. Whether volunteering at church, sharing a card game, or offering a hot cup of tea, she found joy in making others feel cared for. An incredible baker and cook, she delighted in serving fresh bread, buns, homemade meals and desserts to family, friends, or anyone who happened to stop by. She loved music, dressed elegantly for every occasion—even berry picking—and was always ready for a dance or a laugh.

She supported anyone in need and made it her mission to show up for those she loved. She rarely missed a family concert or performance, and for her grandchildren, visits often ended with a small treasure — her vibrancy for life kept alive one thoughtful gesture at a time.

Sarah's spiritual life was deeply important to her. She was an associate of the Anglican Convent of St. John the Divine in Toronto and a devoted member of St. Michael's Anglican Church in St. John's. She served on the Altar Guild and lovingly sourced and arranged flowers for Sunday services for more than three decades. "Sarah's Garden," created in her honour at the new St. Michael's Church property, was a great joy to her.

Sarah's generous, welcoming spirit and the gentle grace she carried throughout her life will be deeply missed. **Visitation** will be held at **Carnell's Funeral Home** on **Tuesday, December 2nd from 7-9 p.m.** Her **funeral** will be at **St. Augustine's Anglican Church** on **Wednesday, December 3rd at 11 a.m.**