



Dorothea Moon

(1908 -)

Dorothea Moon was born Dorothea Reid in the Brandon District of Manitoba and after her public schooling attended teachers "Normal School" in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

Her first teaching job was in Climax, Saskatchewan, where she had 38 children in grades 1 to 10. She was 19, only three years older than the eldest pupil. Continuing with summer courses to achieve her degree, she focused on a primary specialist certificate.

In 1933 she married Stanley Moon; her son Leslie was born in 1937.

In 1942 the family moved to Matsqui, BC and due to the lack of teachers was immediately asked to teach. Mrs. Moon taught primary grades in Mission beginning in 1948.

For several years the lower grades were housed in several temporary buildings and eventually in Mission Central. Not ready to retire or be "brushed off the top steps" in 1978, she became the first supervisor of the new Mission Daycare Centre and also worked as a substitute teacher for Mission School District for several more years.

When she permanently retired she had been a teacher for 42 years. Dorothea Street in Mission bears her name.

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