



# Flora Evans

(1913 - )

Flora Evans was born Flora McTavish, a twin to brother Hugh, in La Vallee, Ontario. Her mother died in the 1918 flu epidemic leaving 11 children, 14 years and under. All of the children worked at keeping the farm going and Flora did outdoor chores- driving horses, racking hay.

Her training as a nurse began in 1941 at St. Boniface, Manitoba School of Nursing, graduating in 1944 with a General Proficiency medal.

Flora came to Mission in 1946 to attend a wedding and was hired as an extra staff member for the 21-bed hospital. "Those were the days when we could stay on duty until everyone was no longer in need of a hand".

She married Harry Evans in 1948. They have two children, Cheryl and Ansley.

Flora "Mac" Evans nursed for 32 years in Mission. Those who worked with her have said she kept the highest standard, set a good example, and cared about everyone. Since retirement in 1978 she doesn't hesitate to help others in need of nursing.

Her other interests are figure skating, which she took up in Fort Frances at age 18, and downhill skiing. Mrs. Evans was involved with Cubs and girl's baseball; she has an amateur skating instructor certificate and assisted in teaching many children.

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