



# Olive Lane

(1913 - )

Olive Lane immigrated with her family to Canada three months after her birth in Yorkshire, England and at the age of 17, moved to Mission where she completed her education.

Following her graduation, Olive worked and eventually got a part-time job at Lanes Ltd. Merrill Lane, owner of the department store, began courting her and in 1938 they were married and had 2 children.

Independent before her time, she convinced her husband to let her play an equal role in managing the business and consequently continued working until the birth of their first daughter in 1944.

An exceptionally warm and caring individual, Olive always had an 'open door' policy when it came to their home. Many of the young women who worked in the store and servicemen frequently visited her for advice and help.

She was known for her playful nature and enjoyed a range of physical activities with family and friends, including cycling and hiking. She also found time to become involved in the community and volunteered for a number of groups, including the Well Baby Clinic and local museum. In addition, she was an active member of All Saints Anglican Church, teaching Sunday School for many years.

Today, Olive continues balancing her roles as a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother along with her ongoing involvement in the church as a member of the Altar Guild and Anglican Church Women.

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