



**REMEMBERING**  
**Mary Ella Read**

May 29, 1939 - May 26, 2012



**Tribute from H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff**

H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff send our condolences to family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

**Tribute from George and Lynn Voro**

Relation: Friend

Mary Ella, a simply elegant lady, a beautiful woman—in body and in mind. Of the many roles Mary Ella had in life, her joy in her husband and family were the leading part. Our deepest sympathies to Wayland in the loss of his best friend and wife, to her children, grandchildren and to her extended family. We count ourselves as two of the lucky people among those she called "friend". We admired her courage to meet each challenge head on, in particular this final one. We will miss her smile and her unwavering friendship. We mourn her passing but we celebrate her life. Beyond the world as we know it, there is a field of stars where we will all meet again and never have to say "good-bye". Safe journey, dear

friend. George, Lynn and the Voro Family

**Tribute from Bill and Huguette Petruk**

Relation: Friend since 1957

We were saddened in December 2010 to learn that our best friend, Mary-Ella, was stricken with cancer, a relapse from years ago. It was hoped that she would beat it, as she was such a powerful person with a great will. Regrettably, even she could not do it. We were immensely saddened by her passing on May 26 and will miss her always. It is hard to imagine that we shall never see her again.

I remember the evening that Mary-Ella came into Wayland's life, as he and I were roommates at McGill University that year. He was so enamored with this beautiful girl that he would not stop talking about her. We consider ourselves honoured to be Wayland's and Mary-Ella's friends, as both families strove to meet whenever possible. Consequently, we frequently visited them and were welcomed and graciously hosted in their beautiful home at Cherry Point Fold, including last summer when Mary-Ella was a special hostess even though she had just completed a session of chemotherapy. She was indeed a great lady with a special spirit. To know her was a gift which we shall always cherish.

Our deepest condolences to Wayland, Jennifer, Stephen and their families, as well as Mary-Ella's extended family.

Bill and Huguette Petruk

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**Tribute from Vera & Irma Krzykowski**

Relation: friend

We were shocked & saddened to read about Mary's passing. Our sincere sorrow & condolences to Wayland, Jennifer, Steve & families. Mary was such a generous, loving and gracious lady. We know her passing will leave a large void in your family & family was always the most important thing to her. You are all in our thoughts & prayers.

Vera & Irmgard Krzykowski & family

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**Tribute from tannis walters**

Relation: duplicate bridge & socially

So very saddened to learn of Mary Ella's passing. She was a very superior person who I remember with great fondness.

The very beautifully written obituary described perfectly a wonderful lunch at Cherry Point Fold some years ago now....interesting, fun, delicious & comfortable...low-key but well-remembered after so many years.

Dave & I send our condolences to Wayland and the family. You will miss her enormously.

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**Tribute from Neville and Tricia Tate**

Relation: Church Friends

Wayland and family, We are saddened by the passing of Mary Ella and are thoughts and prayers go out to you at this time of sorrow.

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**Tribute from Helen & Denis Lainchbury**

Relation: Met her at our Seniors Club

Mary Ella was a member of Young Seniors Action Group at Shawnigan Lake and she was in our ladies walking group. We had good walks and talks with her. She was a very lovely person to be with. We send our condolences.

