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## MARGARET (PEG) KEELER

July 2018

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July the Trust lost one of its oldest and most enthusiastic supporters. **Margaret (Peg) Winifred Keeler n e Hider #4142** on the family tree, died at St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada in her 100<sup>th</sup> year.

Sitting on a shelf above my desk as I write is an 8-inch carved wooden Canadian Mountie, symbolising the bond between our families and our countries, the first of many gifts to the Trust from her and her family. Daughter **Shirley** and great grandchildren, **Maddy** and **Brayden** visited Holywells in 2015 and saw the Sugar Maple grown from their Canadian seed planted eighteen months previously, as a tribute to Peg's 4 times great grandfather, 'Big' **John Cobbold**.

A service of Celebration of her Life was held in Waterloo, Ontario on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July. From many eulogies, all extolling Peg's enormous sense of fun and well-being right up to the end, we reproduce below Shirley's Tribute.

*From Eglinton Avenue as a dirt road on the outskirts of Toronto, to computers, smart phones and space exploration is a long time. Mom lived it.*

*She marvelled at each new discovery and technological advancement. She was interested in everything, especially nature in all its forms. Her fondest childhood memories were of laying in the tall grass of the wild fields around her childhood home watching butterflies and insects going about their business. Later in life, her summers with Dad up in Haliburton were their best times; bird watching, canoeing and fishing.*

*Our family camped back and forth across the continent many times, and what an education that was for all of us. We saw it all and did it all. Then later Mom and Dad would travel to all kinds of exotic places; Hong Kong, Japan, Greece, Egypt, and a cruise down the Amazon River. Mom lived the kind of life all of us can envy; surrounded by friends, seeing the world, and having fun.*

*Yes, we will miss her with a certain amount of sadness, but what a life, and what a legacy for her family! The spirit, curiosity and zest for fun and adventure we, her descendants have inherited will continue to be passed on through the ages. Thank you, Mom.*

Peg, for your selfless interest, support and encouragement the Trust says thank you too.

Anthony Cobbold, July 29<sup>th</sup> 2018.

### *In Loving Memory*



*Margaret "Peg" Keeler*

June 2, 1919 – July 17, 2018