



## **Norma Lillian Blair**

1936-2010



Surrounded by her family, Norma L. Blair of McAdam, NB, beloved wife of Robert R. Blair, passed away April 7, 2010 at the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital at the age of 74 years. Norma was born on March 21, 1936 in Portage, Prince Edward Island, a daughter of the late Edmund and Minerva (Coughlin) DesRoches. Until her retirement, she was employed as a custodian at the McAdam Elementary School and McAdam High School. Norma enjoyed sports and was a member of the McAdam Curling Club, the Women's Bowling League and played softball when she was younger. She loved to sing and did so every day, through good and bad times.

She will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 54 years, Robert and as a loving mother to her children, Bruce Blair (Brenda), Robin Porelle (Wilfred), Garth Blair, all of McAdam, NB, Craig Blair (Twila), Noonan, NB and Marla Rae Blair, Fredericton, NB; her grandchildren; Kipp, Kali and Kelci Blair, Jarred and Janelle Porelle, Jennifer, Byron and Joshua Blair; her sister, Anita Acorn, Newmarket, Ontario and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Norma was predeceased by brothers, Kenneth and Ira Arsenault, sister Leona Scott and infant twin brother and sister, Elwan and Ethel DesRoches.

Visitation was held at the Rockland Drive United Baptist Church, McAdam, NB on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 from twelve noon until the hour of service at 2 p.m. Rev. Scott Kohler and Rev. Watson Williams officiating. Her son Bruce Blair read the words to the song, "Mom's Song" that he composed for his mother. Granddaughter, Kelci Blair read the poem "Miss Me - But Let Me Go". A Eulogy was delivered by granddaughter, Kali Blair. Special music was a recording by her daughter, Robin Porelle, singing "The Last Mile of the Way". A combined choir from several McAdam churches sang "In the Garden" as well as congregational singing and a recording played of Norma's favorite hymn, "God on the Mountain". Pianist was Gordon McAllister. Interment will be later at Rockland Cemetery. A reception followed at the church.

For those who wish to make a donation in memory of Norma, the family has suggested a charity of the donor's choice.