



The Grand Lady of Highland Dance Evelyn Nicholson Leinweber

Evelyn Nicholson Leinweber of Calgary passed away on Sunday, December 9, 2001 at the age of 82 years. Evelyn has been a symbol of Highland Dancing in Alberta and is a familiar figure at Highland Games throughout Alberta for the past seventy years, sitting in the stands, rain or shine, encouraging dancers and passing on her love of dance and of Scottish heritage. A highly respected teacher, she dedicated much of her life to generations of students who have had their lives enriched by her instruction and by her kind and caring ways. Of the countless children who learned to do pas de basques in her basement, she held a special place in her heart for each and every one and sought ways to encourage them to pursue Highland dancing. She pursued her dream with the commitment of an Olympic athlete!

This grand Lady of Highland Dance epitomized the strength and courage of the Scots and at the same time displayed a generosity of spirit that endeared her to all who have had the good fortune to know her.

Thank you Evelyn. We will always remember you!