

Drene Dayell Prentice

b. Oct. 8, 1946, Regina, SK; d. Feb. 19, 2008, Ottawa, ON

Education:

1971 BA. with music major (University of Regina)

1972 BLS (University of Alberta "Class of 4")

Positions:

1972-1976 Cataloguing Branch, National Library of Canada

1976-1977 Head, Music Cataloguing Section, National Library of Canada

1977-1978 Head, Canadiana Bibliographical Standardization Section

1978- Chief, Canadiana Editorial Division, National Library of Canada

Comments:

Drene came to Ottawa from the Prairies in 1972 and although she initially intended to return to the west, she never did and rarely returned.

She had eclectic interests and never tired of new personal challenges. She was an accomplished tennis player, classical pianist and competitive swimmer. She loved to ride horseback and also learned to ride a motorcycle. She loved physical activity and used her vacations from her day job to join her neighbours in laying up their hay for the winter. While she had a successful career in librarianship, her lifelong goal was to work in the stables of the R.C.M.P. She fulfilled her dream in a way when she took early retirement and devoted her time to her dogs, her thoroughbred horse, Ivor, his companion, Campbell and their barn mates which included goats, rabbits, ducks and cats.

Drene was a fiercely loyal friend.

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