

## Family Group Sheet for Emil (Amiel) Otto Knuth

**Husband:** Emil (Amiel) Otto Knuth  
Birth: 07 Aug 1889 in Augusta, Wisconsin  
Death: 26 Sep 1977  
Father: Carl August Knuth  
Mother: Wilhelmine Lambrecht

**Wife:** Florence Johanna Marie Tomke  
Birth: 05 Jan 1891 in Bay City, Michigan  
Death: 1986  
Father: Herman Tompke  
Mother: Bertha Nemitz

### Children:

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Name: Ernest Knuth  
Birth: 24 Dec 1915  
Spouse: Susan

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Name: Irene Frances Knuth  
Birth: 02 Jul 1917 in Sec. 16, TP, 3, RGE. 14, W2nd, Sask. Canada  
Death: 09 Dec 2002 in Swift Current Regional Hospital, Swift Current, SK  
Marriage: 01 Nov 1939 in Swift Current, Sask., Canada  
Spouse: Earle Leroy Kyle

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Name: Lyra Knuth  
Birth: 09 Jul 1918  
Marriage: 18 Sep 1941 in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada  
Spouse: Paul Bailey Coe

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Name: Mildred Florence Knuth  
Birth: 06 Nov 1919 in Sask., Canada  
Marriage: 25 Oct 1939 in Lutheran Church, Estenan, Sask., Canada  
Spouse: Lloyd Gibson Forbes

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Name: Frederick Laverne Knuth  
Birth: 23 May 1921 in Tribune, Saskatchewan, Canada  
Death: 23 Sep 1998  
Spouse: Annie-Marie

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Name: Marjorie Marie Knuth  
Birth: 13 Sep 1923

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Name: Russell Knuth  
Birth: 08 Apr 1925  
Death: 10 Oct 2007  
Spouse: Sybil

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Name: Ruby Victoria Knuth  
Birth: 24 May 1927  
Death: 25 Feb 2009 in "The Garden Room", at Eagle Park Health Care Facility, in Qualicum Beach  
Burial: Vancouver, British Columbia

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9            Name:    Norma Knuth  
F            Birth:    04 Dec 1928  
             Death:    27 Sep 2007  
             Spouse:   John Finneson  
  
             Name:    Ruby Knuth  
10           Birth:    24 May 1927  
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### Notes

#### Emil (Amiel) Otto Knuth

Emil Otto Knuth was confirmed at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Augusta, Wisconsin on April 5, 1903.

Emil Otto Knuth was born August 7, 1889 and was baptized on August 21, 1889 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fall Creek, Wisconsin. His sponsors were Johann Knuth and Emma Rach.[KNUTH1.FTW]

#### Florence Johanna Marie Tomke

It has pleased Almighty God to summon out of this vale of tears to our eternal home the soul of Florence Marie Knuth, of 343 East 8th Avenue, Vancouver, B. C., who departed this life on Sunday morning, February 16, 1986, at Glen hospital, 1036 Salisbury Drive in Vancouver at the age of 95 years one month and eleven days

The deceased was born January 5, 1891, in Bay City, Michigan, her parents being Herman and Bertha Tompke. With a sister she came to Canada in 1910 at the age of 19, making her home in Weyburn, Saskatchewan, Canada, and working for a time as a telephone operator. On October 29, 1913, she gave her hand in marriage to a farmer, Emil Otto Knuth, farming for many years in Tribune, Saskatchewan, Canada. The family moved to Cloverdale, British Columbia, in the early 50's. Another move was made in 1957, when a blueberry farm was acquired in Richmond. Retiring some 10 years later, God then called Emil Knuth to his eternal home in 1977. Two years later, Florence Knuth moved to Vancouver with her daughter Ruby who was living with her, and they made their home with another daughter, Lyra Coe. The deceased's health began to decline, and in 1983 she became a resident at Glen Hospital, where she remained for 2 1/3 years, until God also called her to her eternal home.

Florence Marie Knuth was predeceased by her husband Emil and two sons, Richard and Ernest; also by one daughter, Marjorie. She is survived by five daughters, Irene Kyle, Lyra Coe, Mildred Forbes, Ruby Knuth, and Norma Finnsson, and by one son-in-law, John Finnsson and a daughter-in-law Susan Knuth in Calgary; also two sons, Fred and wife Anne Knuth and Russell and wife Phyllis Knuth; 21 grandchildren, 26 great grand-children, as well as several nieces and nephews. The family wishes to extend special thanks to Doctor Brumwell and his staff; also to Phyl Bourque for his help, as well as to other relatives and friends.

Though brought up in the Presbyterian Church, the deceased became a member of the Lutheran Church already in Saskatchewan soon after her marriage, being confirmed in 1914. In Cloverdale the Knuth's were members of Zion Lutheran Church and in Richmond of Trinity Lutheran Church. Upon her retirement in Vancouver, Florence Knuth was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. In 1963 Emil and Florence Knuth celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a service in Trinity Lutheran Church in Richmond, and in 1973 they observed their 60th wedding anniversary. As a retired Lutheran Pastor serving the sick and shut-ins in Vancouver, it was my privilege to serve Mrs. Knuth many times with Word and Sacrament during the last few years, and I was able to give her the Lord's Supper and pray with her the last time four weeks ago, on January 22.

The deceased's family liked to remember her as a good mother, a faithful Christian, a kind friend, and as one who did not shun hard work. She was good at craftwork, making clothes, crocheting, knitting and so forth. She loved flowers and excelled in gardening.

Fred Gabert, Pastor

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#### Irene Frances Knuth

Irene Frances (Knuth) Kyle, age 85 years of Swift Current, SK, Canada, passed away on Monday, December 9, 2002 at the Swift Current Regional Hospital in Swift Current, SK. The funeral service was held at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, December 13, 2002 from the East Side Church of God with Pastor Ed Hyatt officiating. The organist was Lois Baughman. The ushers were Keith Forbes and Glen Forbes. The interment service was held at the Mount Pleasant Burial Park, Swift Current, SK. The pallbearers were grandsons, Shawn Kyle Sheldon Kyle, Patrick Bayly, Bradley Bayly, Rod Munro, Jr., and Rod Smith. Left to cherish her memories are her five children, Robert (Marlene) Kyle, Francis (Merna) Kyle, Phyllis (Victor) Bayly, Shirley (Rod) Munro and Sherry (David) Modi; eleven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother Russell; four sisters, Mildred Forbes, Lyra (Reg) Paaps, Ruby Knuth, and Norma Finnsson and numerous Neice and nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Earle who passed away on April 17, 1983. Irene was born in Tribune, SK, on July 12, 1917. She attended school in Tribune, and later moved to Cadillac, SK where she met her husband Earle. Being married to a school teacher they resided in numerous Saskatchewan communities, spending 19 years in Strongfield. The couple retired to reside in Swift Current in 1968. Irene never worked outside the home but raised a family of five and participated in various community activities and volunteer work, and was instrumental in starting the "Odds and Ends" Senior Band in Swift Current. Her greatest joy was visiting with her family. Memorial donations in her memory to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Swift Current Regional Hospital Palliative Care Unit, Cypress Health Region, would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to Warren's funeral home, Swift Current, SK. For further information please call 773-8831 or 1-800-267-6606 or visit our web site at [www.warrensfuneralhome.com](http://www.warrensfuneralhome.com) and express your sympathy to family members in our book of condolences.

The following tribute was read by her son-in-law, Victor Bayly.

We are here today to mourn the passing of Irene Kyle but more importantly we are here to celebrate her life.

The evidence of Irene Kyle is all around you today and will never be forgotten.

Every time I look at one of my children, my wife, my relatives I am reminded of the gift that she gave to each one of us.

She touched all of our lives with her laughter, her determination, her strength in the face of adversity and for her love of Life.

Irene was an incredibly hard worker. I remember at Pat's wedding, Irene and Mildred cleaned the garage floor. I mean cleaned on their hands and knees and scrubbed. You have had open heart surgery on that floor.

Until the last few months Irene enjoyed a very healthy life and could not only out work you but out hike you. I remember in Waterton one year, she and Phyllis got up at 6:00 A.M. to go and pick berries and she would hike up those hills and leave Phyllis in her dust and wonder what the problem was.

Irene was always the fun Grandma. I remember coming home on Easter and Grandma comes bouncing out Sunday morning in huge pink rabbit ears, white long johns complete with a cottontail and a basket of eggs. She was a sight to behold. Pat has been terrified of rabbits ever since.

Irene had a real talent for crafts. She was generous beyond measure with everything she had. Who is this room does not have 5 or 6 homemade quilts and pillows. She was very resourceful and never threw anything out but created wonderful gifts out of everything from egg cartons to toilet rolls to bit of cloth.

Irene loved gardening and ever since I can remember the living room and basement were full of plants

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waiting out the winter for planting in the spring. Every year children and grandchildren would be given perennials that come up year after year or seeds from her many flowers.

Irene was musical and played with the "Odds & Ends Band" right up to her stay in the hospital. Her and Earl often played at many local dances and many of the kids share that musical inheritance.

Irene had a great attitude. She never complained and put a positive spin on any situation. Phyllis her daughter and my wife, share that same gift and it drives me crazy to this day. Whenever something bad happens, Phyllis acts like is something good in disguise. Without exception, 100% of the time, Phyllis will say, well look on the bright side it could have been worse. She got that wonderful attitude from her mom.

Irene had a gift of hospitality. She would always provide a bed and a meal to all who entered her home anytime of the day or night.

Above all else, Irene loved her family. I remember when she was sick a few months ago and we celebrated her 85th birthday. She could not hold food down but she just smiled, never complained and did her very best to make that day a very special day for all of us. She often went on trips taking opportunity to visit her kids and grand kids, brothers and sister and her many friends. She was very proud of each of her children and her grandchildren and loved them dearly.

She was a very special woman and even in death she taught us a valuable lesson. Irene was never afraid of dying as her faith in God was strong and clearly evident in those last few months.

She would sacrifice anything for you. She was a perfect grandma and we will miss her. She was a wonderful mom, a loving sister, a good friend and a precious companion for many of us.

We will miss her, but as Phyllis would say "look at the bright side".

She is in heaven with Earle and at peace. I thank God for this remarkable woman who touched all our lives.

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### Lyra Knuth

Lyra Knuth (Coe) Papps lives at 84-1840-160th  
Surrey, BC, Canada V4A 4X4  
Phone: (604) 535-6169

Lyra, her daughter Beverley and Beverley's son Bradley were in Wisconsin for the Knuth family reunion at Lake Eau Claire Clubhouse, at Lake Eau Claire, on July 18, 1998. At the reunion, Beverley had gotten a birthday cake on which 80 candles were placed to celebrate Lyra's birthday with her family.

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### Mildred Florence Knuth

CURRENT ADDRESS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2000  
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HARTNEY, MANITOBA, CANADA  
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Box 1405  
Souris, Manitoba, Canada R0K 2C0[KNUTH1.FTW]

### Frederick Laverne Knuth

Fred Knuth was born on May 23, 1921, in Tribune, Saskatchewan, Canada, the son of Emil Knuth and Florence (Tomke) Knuth. His parents, two brother and a sister have all pre-deceased him, but is survived by several brothers and sisters and their spouses. They are Irene Kyle, Lyra and Reg Papps, Mildred Forbes, Russell Knuth and Norma Finsfon.

Shortly after graduating from the Salisbury School, in Tribune, Fred enlisted in the Canadian Army. He began in air defense, and served in that capacity for the first year. Then he was in General Defense, before being drafted into the intelligence Division. He served overseas in the U.K., Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. His medals and decorations were on display at his funeral.

In January of 1946 Fred returned to Canada, and began to farm -- surely one of the chanciest occupations open to human endeavour. That fall, he married Annie-Marie, and they have lived constructively and caringly together for very nearly fifty two years. And that tells us a lot of good things about both of them. For a time, the family moved to Weyburn, where Fred worked with Western Wire and Cable, but he suffered ill health because of the aluminum dust, so the family moved to Surrey, British Columbia, Canada in 1958. Fred worked at anything he could find, secure in the belief that all work is honorable work if it is honorably done. So he worked on blueberry farms, at Buckerfields driving a truck and in the warehouse, and at the Valley View Cemetery, and then later as a roofer. At one time he had a contract to go over to the Island to roof a school, and he told Marie that he was going to take his good suit. Dutifully, Annie-Marie packed it for him, but before doing so, she sewed shut the pant legs and sleeves, and stuck in a note reminding him that he was going to the Island to work, and he'd best do just that. So he did.

Fred is not only survived by Annie-Marie, but also their children -- Emil and wife Linda, Irene, Linda and husband Bill, Coleen and husband Dennie, Corinne and husband Bruce, and Fred, Jr, as well as ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild. When the family and I were talking about the various jobs Fred held, one of the girls said, with passion "His biggest and best job was being a husband and father and one helluva good one at that". That was a heartfelt tribute, and speaks volumes about Fred and his constructive relationship with family.

Fred joined the Royal Canadian Legion in Tribune as soon as it was possible, and was also a member in the Ladner Branch, before moving to Abbotsford and joining our branch in 1978.

Fred was an inveterate cribbage player, and had a goodly number of friends in that pastime, since he always magnanimous in victory and gracious in defeat. He was simply a good man.

In February of this year, 1998, Fred was diagnosed as having cancer, and although he fought valiantly, he lost ground rapidly. Finally, on September 23, 1998, he passed on peacefully into the next phase of life, and now is at peace.

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Anne Knuth lives at 2418 Guildford Drive

Abbotsford,  
BC

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Phone Number (604) 852-2570

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## Russell Knuth

Russell Knuth lives at 612 3rd Avenue, N.W.

Weyburn, Sask.

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Phone number (306) 842-8125

Russell passed away October 10, 2007. He had a heart attack and his friend found him dead in his garage.

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## Ruby Victoria Knuth

Ruby Knuth lives at 3080 Grafton

Qualicum Beach,

BC

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December 2008.

Heard from Mildred Forbes, Ruby's sister, that Ruby has cancer and is on oxygen all the time.

Ruby Knuth, 81, passed away peacefully in "The Garden Room" at Eagle Park Health Care Facility in Qualicum Beach, on February 25, 2009.

She is survived by her sisters, Lyra (Reg) Papps, Surrey, BC; Mildred Forbes, Souris, Manitoba; sister-in-law Annie Knuth, Abbotsford, BC; and nieces and nephews. Ruby will also be missed by her extended family: Diane and Ken Lynch, Jocelyn Klein, and a host of wonderful friends. She is predeceased by her parents Emil and Florence Knuth, brothers Richard, Ernest, Frederick and Russell, sisters Irene, Marjorie and Norma.

Ruby grew up on a farm in Sastachewan and moved at the age of 27 with her parents to Cloverdale, B.C. When her parents passed away, she was relocated to Parksville to live with Lyra and Reg. As Ruby needed extra assistance, she came under the special care of Diane and Ken Lynch. During those thirteen years, she was very active in Parksville attending Bingo at the Seniors' Drop-In Center and several programs offered by the CIBC. Many support workers were an integral part of Ruby's life. They all helped her develop life skills to achieve her goals and enjoy life.

For the past two and a half years, Ruby lived with Jocelyn Klein in Qualicum. During that time, Ruby had the opportunity to spend more time with her family and celebrated her 80th birthday by taking a special trip to Hawaii. As a Hospice volunteer, Jocelyn was the perfect company for Ruby's last years.

In July 2007, Ruby was diagnosed with lung cancer, yet she was fortunate to experience another year and a half of relatively comfortable quality of living before declining. The last nine days of Ruby's life were spent in "The Garden Room" where she received palliative care in a loving, caring environment.

Special thanks to VIHA; home care support workers, nursing staff, respiratory therapists, and occupational

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therapist. Also special thanks to the respite people who were continually there when needed.

"Those who knew her are forever grateful".

### Norma Knuth

Current address of Norma Finnsson

37236SchoonerVWay  
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N. Pender Island, BC  
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Norma Knuth Finnessen died September 27,2009. She had bone cancer. She was the youngest one of the family and would have been 80.[KNUTH1.FTVV]

### Ruby Knuth

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Ruby Knuth lives at 3080 Grafton  
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