Obituary - Jane Stryker

22nd December 1914 - 22nd February 2006



Jane Stryker was born in Whitechapel, East London, on 22nd December 1914. She was one of 10 children. Jane leaves 2 sisters.

Jane attended the Jewish Deaf Residential School in South London with her 3 deaf sisters, Annie, Debbie and Polly.

When she left school, she worked as a machinist in a manufacturing company.

In 1941, Jane married Emil Stryker. They were married for 49 years. Emil died in 1990.

Jane was a member of the Green Star Deaf Club and was involved in several sports including table tennis and tennis. She had won several tournaments. As well as these sports, she was a keen cards and dominoes player. She played with her families and deaf friends.

Even though Jane never had any children, she was very close to her family. She liked to keep in touch with them and watched her nieces and nephews grow up, get married and have children of their own. Seeing her great nieces and nephews really made her day. Whenever any one of us visited her, she had a great sense of humour and would laugh with us.

Jane was a regular member of the Jewish Deaf Association where she attended many events including bingo, Jewish festival celebrations and trips that the JDA organised. She loved her chats with her Deaf friends, and always had a good laugh. She used to be on the Central Committee and also became a Life Member of the JDA.

Due to Jane's deteriorating health, a while back, she felt it was time to go into a home. After careful consideration, Jane chose Nightingale House. In November 2004 Jane moved to Nightingale House.

At the age of 91 years, Jane died peacefully on Wednesday 22nd February 2006. She had suffered bronchopneumonia and heart failure in St. George's Hospital, Tooting.

Jane will be missed by her sisters, families and friends.

We would like to say thank everyone for their kind condolences.

Harvey & Ann Clements