

Mrs J George

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The funeral service has taken place at the graveside in St Illogan Cemetery for Jean, beloved mother to Ian, who passed away peacefully at the St Mary's Haven care home, Penzance, on May 20, aged 90. Pastor Brian Thornton conducted the service.

Jean was born at Lanner, on April 29, 1930, to Rose and Arthur Andrew, who was a

postman. She had two brothers. The family moved to Trevenson Road, Pool, and, shortly after, to 13 Church Road, Pool, which was the family home until Arthur's death in 1974 and Rose's death in 1982.

A feature of her childhood were frequent excursions on foot to Portreath beach with her brother Arthur and cousin Cyril.

Jean went to school at Barncoose County Primary, then to Pool School.

On leaving school in 1945, aged 15, she went to work at Westlakes shoe shop in Camborne and stayed there until her marriage in 1950.

When she was 16, she met Leslie, who was a few months older and an apprentice at Holmans. They were married on Easter Saturday 1950 at Pool St Martin's Methodist Church and went to live with Rose and Arthur.

Their only son, Ian, was born at home on September 18, 1952.

In 1960 Jean, Les and Ian moved 75 yards away to 39 Fore Street, Pool, which was the family home until Leslie's death in 2007 and Jean's move into residential care in 2017.

Their 50th wedding anniversary fell on Easter Saturday 2000 and this was celebrated with a weekend in Paris with Ian.

In March, Jean's health had declined to the extent that she needed residential care.

She therefore moved to St Mary's Haven residential home in Penzance, where the high quality of the care and kindness of the staff enabled Jean to live out her final years peacefully and with dignity.

Throughout her life Jean's central quality was her selfless care and concern for family and friends and her boundless sympathy with those afflicted by poverty, illness or any kind of hardship.

Although she was a quiet person, not wanting to attract attention to herself, her company was always enjoyed by family and friends

Inevitably, the focus of her life was her immediate family. She and Leslie were married for 57 years and the love and companionship they shared were evident at all times.

Jean was brought up in the Methodist tradition. Although not a regular churchgoer in later life, her faith and belief in the virtues of service to others were very important to her.

Jean died on May 20. Because of the Covid-19 restrictions her funeral on June 2 was a grave-side service at Illogan Cemetery where she was buried along-side Leslie.

Family mourners were Ian George, son; Sue Snook (representing Cyril Johns, cousin), Jean and Ken Pascoe, cousins.

The funeral director was Colin Grose of Retallack Bros, Camborne.