

Honoring Ebba

Ebba Susan Poulsen was born in Nakskov on a late August day in 1922, her parents had settled at Skovvænget 5 a mile out of town, and Ebba grew up in a family with 4 siblings. Even if not in her adult life Ebba stayed in Nakskov, her heart and love for her childhood home was always there and when she visited Nakskov from time to time she would always stop by her birth place Skovvænget 5 to check to see whether the windows were clean and the fence was painted and the sidewalk had been swept.

Ebba only had 7 years of schooling and started to work at the age of 14 year-old to be an all-day aid for a blind lady in the neighborhood of her childhood home. Later, she served on several Farms as a babysitter, and after completing training as a Cook in Holbaek, Ebba served as a Cook on Farms and Estates. In 1946, 24 years of age Ebba married her first husband Per Skjodt, with whom she gets her only child Keld Skjodt. In 1948 the small family moved to Copenhagen. They stayed there for 3 years and after an unhappy marriage becomes separated. In 1952 Ebba took a job at the Hospital in Gentofte, Denmark. She worked there for the next 30 years until her retirement at the age of 62. Ebba's second husband Harry was a carpenter, together they bought a small Summer residence "Kolonihave" in Herlev, where they lived and enjoyed summer outside the city. When Harry died, Ebba stayed and continued taking care of the garden and in 1988 she achieved a 1st place for its orderly and very versatile garden with a wide range of Danish plants and trees. At the age of 80 her hands and fingers were no longer able to handle the garden tools, so she sold her small property.



Ebba began to take part in social clubs for the elderly around Copenhagen. She also learned to text and send emails on her mobile phone. She sent this text to her daughter in law Lone (Keld Skjodt's wife)



Dear Lone,
i say thank you very much for food,
the delightful grønlankål with hamburgeryg and sausage,
it was great
love, and big hug
Ebba

Ebba also learned and managed to do some tasks on the computer despite increasing blindness. However, her physical problems with increasing blindness and heart issues made life difficult for her. Ebba contracted pneumonia in both lungs and was admitted to the Hospital, and after 24 hours was transferred to Intensive Care and put on a ventilator and deep sleep. In spite of all the efforts Ebba died at the age of 92.

Ebba's family, was the source of her great pleasures in life. It was you who was always in her thoughts.