

**Evelyn Mitchell** 

Evelyn was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and immigrated to Winnipeg, Canada, as a child, thanks to the influence and sponsorship of my father's 1st Cousin, my Aunt Elizabeth, who arrived in Winnipeg as a WW11 War Bride. My Aunt Elizabeth, and her Ukrainian husband, would continue to promote life in Canada and would go on to sponsor my Aunt's nine Scottish siblings and their families to a warm welcome in Winnipeg throughout the late 50s to 70s. Our Scottish families continued to flourish by joining The Sons of Scotland and SASOW. My childhood memories were filled with participation in Highland dancing, Piper competitions, and singing songs whenever the clan got together.

Leadership, diversity, the human condition and the freedom of choice that immigration to Canada offered have always been the cornerstones my family encouraged. That is why I chose a career in nursing, with a post-graduate in Critical Care in Neonatal, Pediatric, Adult and, Emergency. I completed my job in Nursing Administration and retired in 2017 after many years in management.

I am blessed with two adult sons and proud to say I am a Grandmother to "an old soul" 5-year-old grandson, Luke, who keeps me laughing all the time. Along with my duties with the SASOW, I also enjoy volunteering as Co-Chair for the Consignment Team for the RWB; I am in charge of Estate sales and can attest to bragging about the financial contribution we donate to the ballet every year, which is in the thousands!