

Vale Norma June Judd

2nd June 1930 - 30th November 2022

Norma June Judd, nee Bailey, affectionately known as Mum and Ma, was born on Norfolk Island, on the 2nd June 1930. The only daughter of George & Dorothy Bailey, Ma was one of four children, the eldest being Bernie, then Norma, Mickey, and Lenny.

Ma had a happy childhood on Norfolk, growing up at Cosy Corner Store Road, spending much loved time between Nan's at Elouera, (now known as Governor's Lodge), and Ma Anna's (opposite the Mill) in Cascade.

With the outbreak of WWII, at 14, Ma moved to Sydney to be with her mother, father, and Lenny. Arriving by boat, Ma would recall her first impression of Sydney, and her shock at so many houses being built right on the water's edge, in fear of them all flooding.

47 Moncur St, Woollahra would then become their home away from home, for so many Norfolk Islanders – the door was always open. Good food, good laughs and good times were always in abundance – a real Island home.

Ma commenced employment as a young dressmaker for DeFreez in Oxford St, Sydney. It was here she would learn to design and make her own dresses. She enjoyed playing tennis at Vaucluse, going to the pictures, and old time dancing with Bernie, Maev Hitch, Esme Tavener, Billy Blucher, to name just a few

Whilst waiting at a Sydney tram stop, a chance encounter between 2 friends, Dorothy with her daughter, and the other Stella with her son, led to the very first time Norma would meet Orm, and man hes eye se stig fe Ma. From here it became a lifelong commitment, 73 years of dedication and love.

They were married at St Barnabas Chapel in September 1951. Ma would often recount the weeklong preparation of cooking that was needed for 300 guests.

After their marriage, they returned to Sydney, with St Elmo Pde Kingsgrove becoming the new Woollahra – the base for plenty Norfolk sullen to call in for a visit, overnight or short stays – and still is to this day. Many sweet meals, laughs and fun times had.

The arrival of a daughter, Suzanne, in 1957, followed by their 2nd daughter, Noelene, in 1959, then

Leon, 1965 made the family complete.

Ma stayed at home to raise the children and look after the house. Once Leon started school, she returned to the workforce, part-time, at a local chocolate factory. A few years later, Ma started a cleaning job, at the local primary school, where she would continue to work for 15 years until her retirement. It was the cleanest school in NSW – with her hard work ethic and dedication demonstrated on a daily basis. Not even a slipped disk in her back could slow her down, still managing to put in 100% effort, high heels and all.

Upon retirement, Ma and Puppa returned to Norfolk to their newly built home by Peter Magri and his crew— a dream come true for Ma. Both her and Puppa spent tireless hours, working from dawn to dusk, establishing their gardens and vegie patch, and manicured lawns.

Ma was a great cook and loved entertaining. We all loved Ma's kitchen. It was open all hours – and she loved to spoil us grandkids, family and visitors, with her sandwiches, sponge cakes, biscuits, scones, and whipped cream, lollies – and of course her coconut, passionfruit, and best of all, her pineapple pie. That was Uncle Frank and Rugs favourite.

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Ma always took a lot of pride in her appearance, never to leave the house without her lipstick on, hair and nails done, and high heels. Despite years of suffering ailments with her feet, no doctors' orders would ever stop Ma donning her high heels when out in public.

Ma would love her many trips to Sydney to visit Leon and the grandkids, with so many fond memories created whilst running around from one end of Sydney to the other on her many errands. The Kingsgrove RSL was always a hit, along with Nick & Archies fish & chip shop, and visiting her old friends.

Eventually, when Puppa moved into aged care, it was Sue and Noel's job to take her, 3 times a day, to sit and be with him. During this time, Ma broke her hip, spending 6 weeks in a Sydney hospital and rehab. Upon returning to Norfolk, she too took up residency at the aged care, joining Puppa.

Ma and Puppa's love for each other was special. Even in the aged care unit, Puppa would hold her hand all day, until they would have to go to sleep in separate rooms - something they could never get used too.

Just like in her Middlegate home, Ma just loved having visitors up the hospital, especially family. With lollies in abundance, she would love to sit and talk about du mine waa – she just loved having company. Ma was never afraid to ask what for what she needed, whether it was Puppa in the earlier days, or the ever obliging nursing staff in the later days. One particular visit comes to mind, where she had a poor nurse running after her, first to get lollies from her room, then photos from her room, it just kept going – until the nurse turned to me, with the true nurse quick wit – to say, "she doesn't need a nurse, she needs a PA". Truer words couldn't have been spoken.

When Puppa passed away, we were worried she would pine for him – and she did. Thankfully another impatient Elaine helped her through many a hard time.

A visit from Emma sure made Ma light up, with the wonderful news that her and Mitch were having a baby in December. Whilst Ma said to Emm she'd hold on to meet Bubba, unfortunately this wasn't to be.

The arrival of Nathan's daughter, Amberly, in early November, gave Ma so much joy looking at photos

sent by Nath and Lee.

Thankfully Leon decided to return home for a visit on the Sunday, visiting Ma within an hour of arrival. This brought so much happiness to Ma – she se light up, wanting plenty kisses from Leon. Ma seemed to be at ease. Ma passed away peacefully on Thanksgiving Day.

Ma has left behind three children, eight grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to the aged care staff, nurses and doctors.

Ma - We will miss you and always love you but now you can rest easy, pain free, and back in the arms of Puppa. Together again.

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Our dearest Ma - Today we are with you & our family in spirit, as you are here with us.

As grandchildren, we are all so fortunate to have many memories of you, Puppa & the life you shared together.

On any given visit we would most likely find you working away in the garden, with your pink gloves, hat & a big bucket of weeds pulled by hand.

This was usually followed by a cuppa tea & at least 3 different tins of biscuits to choose from, if there were no scones, pie or bread on hand to whip up a sandwich.

There was always something to chat about around the kitchen counter & nothing a good cuppa tea couldn't fix. We were always told to "tek two" or "hawa netha one" each time those biscuits came out.

When asked what's yorley fe Christmas morning, I'd say Ma & Puppa's for "breakfast" with everyone. This consisted of chips, lollies & alcohol and It wasn't until a little later on that I realized this wasn't how everyone else did Xmas breakfast!

You were always proud of our achievements, from academic & sports to getting our car license. In your eyes it was amazing we could all drive, a skill you never acquired. I do think you were onto something there however, as Puppa used to visit Foodies 10 times a morning, especially when guests were coming.

Pineapple Pie- Need I say more? Requested, fought over & enjoyed by many. I think you could ask for almost anything in exchange for one of your Pineapple Pies.

Your generosity had no end and this wasn't just limited to family, it extended to everyone who crossed your path.

The enduring love you & Puppa shared for each other has been a constant example in all of our lives and we take comfort in knowing you are together again, right where you are meant to be.

My greatest wish was for you to meet our baby & we hoped that we would have been home before this time came. I know how excited you were for us & I have no doubt a part of you will carry on in our baby.

We promise to visit as soon as we're home, to keep bringing you flowers from your garden & to always tek one fe each haan.

We love you & God bless.

Emma, Mitch & Bubba