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Mary Rydall

## Wiarion woman marks 99th birthday

WIARTON — Mary Rydall, a resident of Hilltop Nursing Home in Wiarion, celebrated her 99th birthday Sunday.

"I have always tried to do unto others as I would have them do unto me. I never hold grudges," she said Sunday explaining her philosophy of life.

Mrs. Rydall has carried this philosophy against the advice of friends who warned her that she might be "sorry" for that attitude.

"I don't look at it like that. I have a lot to be thankful for. I try to do all I can for myself."

Mrs. Rydall came to Canada from England May 29, 1911, to live with her aunt.

In 1912, she married William Berford Rydall. Mr. Rydall's parents were the first settlers on Berford Lake.

The couple built an addition to the family log cabin on the lake and opened the first

tourist operation in the area in the same year.

They moved to Colpoy's Bay in 1918 where Mrs. Rydall became president of the Women's Institute. In 1959, they moved to Wiarion.

Mrs. Rydall then taught Sunday School at the Revised Latier Day Saints Church in Wiarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Rydall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1952.

As a young woman, Mrs. Rydall was a portrait artist and still has some pen and pencil work she did at that time.

Because she cannot keep active physically, she spends her time listening to the radio and preparing contests for other residents of the home.

Her husband predeceased her and she has two step-sons, Elmer in Owen Sound and Clifford, Durham. She also has a sister living in England.



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## Wiarion woman reflects on 100 years of life

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