

Carol Ann Thomson (Wardill)

May 11, 1950 – May 16, 2026

Carol Thomson was a founding member of the Grande Prairie & District Branch of the Alberta Genealogical Society and played an important role in its establishment and early development.

In 1977, Carol served on the organizing committee that worked to establish a Grande Prairie branch of the Alberta Genealogical Society. On February 7, 1978, she was elected the Branch's first President. She would go on to serve additional terms as President and remained actively involved with the Society for many years. In 1993, she was recognized as one of five founding members who were still active in the Branch, and in 2018 she was honoured during the Branch's fortieth anniversary celebrations.

Born and raised in Grande Prairie, Carol married Buck Thomson in 1967, and together they raised three daughters. Throughout her life she remained deeply connected to her family, friends, and community. Following Buck's passing in 1995, she continued to support others through her involvement with Al-Anon and maintained many lasting friendships.

Carol's contributions helped build the foundation of the Grande Prairie & District Branch and support its growth over nearly five decades. She is remembered for her dedication to the Society, her commitment to family history, and her role in helping establish a lasting genealogical community in the Peace Country.