

# *Lise arrived at Symphony Orleans looking to start a new chapter in her life...*

Lise came to Symphony Orleans two and a half years ago wanting to downsize and start a new chapter in her life. She had to sell her house but was looking forward to being a part of the community.

Lise was born and raised in Ottawa. She is a proud mom of 2 daughters, 1 son, and has 5 wonderful grandchildren. They are her pride and joy, her reason for living.

As a young woman, Lise first worked as a map compiler for National Defense. However, her favorite employment was being a receptionist at the International Student Office at the University of Ottawa. When students came off the plane from abroad, one of the first friendly faces the students would come across, was Lise's.

It gave her great pleasure to help these students begin their transition on Canadian soil. Lise worked at the University for many years and retired from there feeling thankful and content as it was a very rewarding career.

Lise is easy going, doesn't like to complain, enjoys life to the fullest and her special message to all her friends, family, and fellow residents: "Count your blessings, be thankful for the good things in your life".

Living in the same neighborhood as Symphony Orleans, Lise and her family were aware of our community and knew of other residents who called us "their home".

It wasn't a difficult adjustment for the family, as Lise was still nearby and close to her parish. Lise enjoys everything about Symphony Orleans, the food, the care, the services and especially the friendly demeanor of the staff.

Sharon, Lise's daughter, is indebted to her mom. Unfortunately, Lise lost her husband at a young age and had to step up providing not only as motherly figure for her children, but she became the sole provider for her daughters and son.

Sharon is grateful that her mom was able to find comfort at Symphony Orleans. Not only does Lise have an immediate family, she has an extended family. Fellow residents and staff are all part of Lise's day to day life, she is never alone. Sharon hopes that Lise can enjoy many more years at Symphony as Lise wants to live until she's 105 year old!



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