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Jeanette Wallace Jackson
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Jeanette (Wallace) Jackson was born in Ingersoll and lived here all her life until a few years ago. She was a daughter of James & Annie Wallace, attending the Ward School, Victory Memorial Public School and the Ingersoll Collegiate Institute. Her first job was with the Ingersoll Cheese Company. At the age of 18 she joined the Air Force at London in 1943. Because she could type well she was made a Telex operator and was attached to the Signal Section. After two months Jeanette was sent to British Columbia to serve in an Operational Training Unit in the Signals Section. She had the honour of being hand-picked to go to a bush station at Alliford Bay on the Queen Charlotte Island, the station was accessible only by boat or plane. Her next posting, because she had such an important trade, was scheduled to be in the Pacific Theatre. However, the war ended and she was not needed. She was discharged in 1945. Jeanette looks back on her years in service with a sense of satisfaction. She observes, "I felt we really did help the war effort because we freed the men for combat. I felt we were really doing something worthwhile." Jeanette came back to Ingersoll and began work with the PUC. She married Max Jackson in 1946.

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