

15/8/19

Rossendale Ladies Choir

**OBITUARY**

**MRS. Mary Howard**



It is with great sadness that we announce the death of the oldest member of our choir Mrs. Mary Howard of Baxenden, aged 92. She died suddenly in hospital on Wednesday 7 August. She had attended choir regularly up until this point and this news came as a shock to us all.

Mary had been a highly valued member of the choir for 39 years and contributed in many ways through being a committee member, a second soprano section leader, and great friend and mentor to many. She loved her garden and often organised plant swaps and sales evenings for us. She was an excellent singer and helped many of our new members to learn their parts accurately, often holding extra practices in her home. The choir remembered her in song at our rehearsal and will sing at her funeral next week. She was a much loved and appreciated member of our group and will be sadly missed.

Her funeral will be held on Weds. 21<sup>st</sup>. Aug at St. Anne's R.C. Church in Accrington.